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AN ALLIANCE WITH THE GOVERNMENT

Mr. Martin and Some of His Supporters Will Endorse the Railway Policy of the Administration.

SMITH CURTIS WALKS OUT OF CAUCUS

Remarkable State of Affairs Disclosed by Discussion Among Opposition Members Last Night—Intrigue and Treachery Charged.

The crisis in political circles in this province assumed a new and acute form last night when, following the example set by the government supporters, the opposition had its differences in caucus. The result of this difference was that Smith Curtis, member for Rossland, and in many respects the most trusted of the opposition chiefs, walked out of the meeting and will henceforth speak and act as an independent member.

"I am no longer a member of the so-called opposition party," said Mr. Curtis this morning when asked regarding the matter. "My association with it ceased when I found last night that my leader and some of my colleagues, failing government ownership, did not seem to think it important that the Coast-Kootenay line should be a competitive one and that it did not matter particularly who built it."

Mr. Curtis was asked if this was the sentiment of the opposition. "I don't know anything about it," he replied. "I speak for myself alone."

He added, however, that he thought he had been very badly treated and that he should have been informed of the purpose of the opposition two weeks previously.

The defection of Mr. Curtis and the state of affairs which it has revealed gives an entirely new aspect to the political situation in the House. It has been well known for some time that Mr. Martin was lying low on the matter and different constructions were put upon his reticence. Some held that it was simply part of a plan to draw the government on and to render more effective the blow he would deliver when the opportune time arrived to do so. The risk the government took in flaunting their policy defiantly in the faces of their followers was regarded as indicative of the fact that the government had been deceived into the belief that they would receive the support of the leader of the opposition.

Last night's proceedings, however, established beyond doubt that Messrs. Martin, Brown, McInnes and Stables, and perhaps others of the opposition, will support the railway bill as brought down last night. One of them intimated as much this morning and said that the bill left them no option, as it embodied the principles for which the opposition had always contended, namely, government ownership of rates and a percentage of the receipts.

This member was asked if the policy of allowing the Governor-in-Council to impose conditions over and above those approved by the legislature was also a feature of opposition policy, and to this a distinct negative was given.

The sensational turn of affairs has naturally formed the almost sole subject of discussion about the corridors this morning, although a similar step on the part of Mr. Curtis was anticipated concurrently with the re-opening of parliament after the Easter recess. On that occasion it was understood that the member for Rossland was not at all satisfied with the failure of the opposition leader to take advantage of the demand for a competitive line throughout the country and force the issue on the government. However, assurances were given by the leader of the opposition at that time to his impatient lieutenant that all was well and that his silence was merely part of a tactical game.

It is common knowledge that Mr. Curtis was anxious some time ago to take the platform in this city for a competitive line and that he was anxious also for the leader of the opposition to do the same, but that he was prevented from doing so on the same assurance, namely, that to do so at that particular time would be to wreck the projects and plans of his chief.

On both sides of the House the incident has served to throw a flood of light on many of the incongruities of the session—the extreme friendliness of the Premier and the leader of the opposition, the almost daily tete-a-tetes in the corridors between them and the readiness with which the suggestions of Mr. Martin were received in the executive ranks. It lends point, too, to the position of the two members for Victoria city, Messrs. Helmcken and McPhillips, and the senior member for Vancouver, Mr. Garden, who last night broke loose and assailed the government in no unmeasured terms for coquetting with the leader of the opposition. These gentlemen unbraided the government for being more anxious to accept the suggestions and policy of the leader of the opposition than to accept those of their own supporters.

"There is one thing certain," said a clever up-country government member this morning, "and that is that there was a perfect understanding in the matter between the government and Mr. Martin, else they would not have been so ready to take risks with those of their supporters who are determined to defeat the measure."

The independent members of the House are disposed to be self-complacent in the matter, holding that the development of events has justified their determination to render no allegiance to Mr. Martin, notwithstanding the fact that his policy, in part at least, commended itself to their judgments. The words "treachery," "conspiracy," "shysters," and equally opprobrious epithets are being freely employed on both sides of the chamber.

Speculation is rife as to how many men on his side of the chamber Mr. Martin will be able to carry with him in his support of the government measure. It is reasonably sure that Messrs. E. C. Smith, Oliver, and perhaps Gilmour, will refuse to follow him in his remarkable policy. This, however, will reduce the opponents of the bill to thirteen or fourteen, and will give the government an ample majority to carry the measure.

But the incident may have another effect, and this is anticipated by several of the members who wish to see a competitive line built. There are members on the government side who are willing to support the government railway policy but who will make wry faces if they are asked to swallow an alliance with a politician whom many of them thoroughly distrust. It is doubtful if even their loyalty to the government would be equal to their dislike of the leader of the opposition. And if an attempt is made to take him into the administration in succession to Hon. Mr. Turner, when that gentleman retires to the agent-generalship, the rebellion is almost sure to be in evidence.

Independent members regret the incident, because it brings immeasurably closer the advent of party lines, without which it would now seem that some politicians in this province cannot be held to their respective party affiliations.

It is possible that a statement may be made by Mr. Curtis this afternoon.

The determination of the leader of the opposition is the sole topic in political circles and is regarded as one of the most extraordinary of his many remarkable political acts.

WANT OF CONFIDENCE MOTION.

A Resolution Which Is Evidently Intended to Test the Position of the Members of the House.

In the legislature to-morrow Mr. Helmcken will move:

"Whereas it was announced in the Speech from the Throne that it would be the policy of the government to subsidise a line of railway from the Coast to the Kootenay country, such work not to be undertaken by the government as a public work:

"And whereas the interests of the province imperatively demand that such steps should be taken as will ensure that railway construction should be commenced during the present year and be pushed to a speedy completion:

"And whereas there has been a strong and almost universal expression of public opinion in favor of the construction of the said railway by a company which will operate independently of the Canadian Pacific Railway system:

"Therefore be it resolved, That, in the opinion of this House, the exigencies of the situation demand that, at the earliest possible moment, such steps should be taken by the government as will enable a company of proved financial ability, and having independent eastern connections, to build such railway as an independent competitive line with the Canadian Pacific Railway and its branches; and further, that the company accepting such bonus should not be promoted by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, nor by any person or persons acting directly or indirectly in the interests of the said the Canadian Pacific Railway Company; and further, that such company should not at any time be amalgamated with the Canadian Pacific Railway, or with any company operated by the said company, or as a part of the Canadian Pacific Railway system; and further, that the undertaking of such subsidised company should not at any time hereafter be leased, sold, operated or controlled by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, or any of its branch lines, or by any company affiliated with the Canadian Pacific Railway Company, or operated, controlled or managed as a part of the Canadian Pacific Railway system:

"And further be it resolved, That any proposed agreement with such company should, before execution, be approved by the legislature."

The Peace Rumors

Report That Mrs. Botha Has Been in Communication With Kitchener,

Who Will Probably Receive the Boer Leaders Botha, Delarey and Viljoen.

Kruger Afraid the Commander-in-Chief of Burghers May Surrender.

(Associated Press.)

New York, April 24.—Once again peace rumors are in the air, says the Tribune's London correspondent.

Mrs. Botha has been in correspondence with Lord Kitchener and as a result it is believed that the British commander-in-chief has agreed to receive the three Boer generals, Botha, Delarey and Viljoen, within the next few days.

It is perhaps not without significance that the news should reach London from Amsterdam that Mr. Kruger is afraid that Mrs. Botha's efforts will cause her husband to surrender.

SEVERE FIGHTING

In Northern Nigeria, Where Slave Raiding Emirs Were Defeated— Natives Charged British Square.

(Associated Press.)

London, April 24.—Brigadier Gen. Sir Frederick Lugard and Col. G. V. Kemball, with a force of West African frontier troops, have completed a successful campaign against the powerful slave raiding Emirs of Bida and Kontagora in Northern Nigeria. The British defeated the Emir of Kontagora after heavy fighting, 5,000 natives frequently charging the British square. The British captured the capitals of Bida and Kontagora, and released thousands of slaves. The Emirs, who have been the terror of the country for years, killed thousands of natives during the past year. They are now entirely powerless, and this was brought about without the assistance of white troops.

GIRL KIDNAPPED.

(Associated Press.)

Rochester, N. Y., April 24.—Mrs. John H. Christen, living on Davis street, has reported to the police that her five-years-old daughter has been kidnapped. She says that while the child was playing in front of the house on Augusta street yesterday afternoon, two strangers drove up, lifted the child into the carriage and drove rapidly away. The police are still searching for the alleged kidnappers of the little tot.

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Five Million For Railways

The Provincial Government Ask Authority to Raise Funds to That Amount.

The Lines Which Are Proposed to Be Subsidized—The Terms.

The long expected announcement of the government in regard to its railway policy was made last evening when a bill providing for the raising of a loan of $5,000,000 for railway construction and other public works was transmitted by message of the acting administrator of the province, His Honor Judge Walkem.

The lines proposed to be subsidized are those outlined in the Times, a few days since excepting that the Rock Creek & Vernon road and the Fort Steele to Golden line are subsidized for the Ashcroft-Cariboo line.

The conditions imposed are practically those printed some time ago by the Times, excepting that power is given the Governor-in-Council to vary the condition as may seem advisable, and that the line must be built wholly within the province.

Provision is made for a $500,000 bridge over the Fraser, and a ferry to Vancouver Island.

The bill in full is as follows:

Whereas, the existence of extraordinary mineral wealth has been substantiated in many parts of the province, and there are valid reasons for believing that there are numerous districts in the province as yet unprospected which will also prove rich in mineral wealth, and that an extensive immigration and increase of population may be anticipated if means of communication are offered by railways, roads, and other works for developing the natural wealth which exists, both in minerals, timber and farming lands:

And whereas, it is expedient that the trade and commerce of British Columbia accompanying such development and increase in population should, as far as possible, be retained in the Dominion of Canada, which will be best effected by the early construction of railways, roads, and public works:

And whereas, it is expedient that a bridge for railway, vehicular and passenger traffic should be built across the Fraser river at New Westminster, in order to give the railway systems now terminating at a point opposite New Westminster access into the cities of New Westminster and Vancouver, and the farmers a more feasible opportunity of marketing their commodities in the said cities than now exists:

And whereas, the addition of every unit of population will give an increase of revenue, both to the Dominion and provincial governments, but in a proportion of approximately two to one in favor of the Dominion as compared with the province, while the charges on the province for administration and collection resulting from such increase in population are greater than those upon the Dominion, and the advantages to be reaped from the execution of such works would therefore constitute a strong claim upon the Dominion for assistance therein:

And whereas, it is expedient that this legislature should make immediate and adequate provision for subsidising railways of the class above mentioned, and with that end a loan be authorized:

Therefore, His Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the legislative assembly of the province of British Columbia, enacts as follows:

This act may be cited as the "British Columbia Public Works Loan Act, 1901."

Loan.

The Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council may (in addition to all other moneys authorized to be raised or borrowed by any other act of the province) borrow or raise from time to time, in such amounts, in such manner, and at such times as may be deemed expedient, any sum of money not exceeding five million dollars by the sale of debentures, or by the issue and sale of "British Columbia Stock" under the provisions of the "Inscribed Stock Act, 1891," or partly in one way and partly in another, or otherwise: Provided, however, that no moneys shall be borrowed under this act for railway subsidies before the first day of July, 1903.

All moneys borrowed or raised pursuant to this act shall bear interest at the rate not exceeding three and a half per cent. per annum, to be fixed at the time of sale and to be paid half yearly, and shall be repayable at a date to be fixed at the time of sale, not being less than twenty-five nor more than fifty years after the time of sale. Both principal and interest shall be payable in London, England.

It shall be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council to appoint the Minister of Finance, or other person or persons from time to time, the agent of the government for the purpose of negotiating any such loan, and the minister or other duly appointed agent may arrange all details, and do, transact, and execute all such deeds, matters, and things as may be requisite during the conduct of negotiations or for the purpose of placing the loan.

The Minister of Finance shall, and is hereby required to, in each and every half year, from the first raising of any sums of money under authority hereof until the whole amount so raised, and all interest thereon, shall have been duly paid, set apart out of the consolidated revenue of the province such sum as shall suffice to pay the interest upon all moneys which shall then bear interest, and shall apply such sum in payment of such interest aforesaid.

The Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council may, from time to time, by Order-in-Council, to be made before the raising of any sum of money under authority hereof, which may be named in any such Order-in-Council, provide for the repayment of such moneys by authorizing and directing the Minister of Finance to appropriate yearly such sums of money out of the general revenue of the province as may be named in any such Order-in-Council, and as may be deemed by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council to be necessary for the creation and maintenance of a sinking fund for the final payment of such stock, and may, by the same Order-in-Council, make such provisions as may be deemed requisite for the investment from time to time of the amount of any sinking fund, and the accumulation thereof, and for the release of any surplus over and above what may be necessary, with accumulations, to repay any loan at maturity.

All moneys raised under this act shall be paid in such manner as the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council shall prescribe to the Minister of Finance, and shall by him be placed to the credit of an account to be called the "British Columbia Public Works Loan Act, 1901, Account," to be applied, first in payment of discount, commission, brokerage, and other expenses of the loan, and the balance to be applied to the purposes and in the manner hereinafter provided, and all moneys to be raised under this act shall be accounted for in the same manner as if they formed part of the current revenue of the province.

Railway Subsidies.

It shall be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council to grant for and in aid of the construction of the following railways and to be paid out of the moneys raised under this act, a sum not exceeding four thousand dollars for each mile of railway, of the uniform gauge of four feet eight and one-half inches, viz:

(a.) For a railway from the coast, in the neighborhood of English Bluff, near Point Roberts, via Chilliwack and Hope to Midway, Boundary Creek district, approximately three hundred and thirty miles:

(b.) For a railway from the present terminus of the Esquimalt & Nanaimo railway to the northern end of Vancouver Island, approximately two hundred and forty miles:

(c.) For a railway from Rock Creek to Vernon to connect with the Shuswap & Okanagan railway, approximately one hundred and twenty-five miles:

(d.) For a railway from the coast, at Kitimaat, to Hazelton, approximately one hundred miles:

(e.) For a railway from Fort Steele to Golden, approximately one hundred and fifty miles.

It shall be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council to issue and hand over to any person, firm or company who shall become entitled to a subsidy for building any of the foregoing lines, in lieu of cash, "British Columbia stock," issued under the provisions of the "Inscribed Stock Act, 1891," or debentures, which stock or debentures shall bear interest at a rate not exceeding three and one-half per cent. per annum, to be fixed at the time of delivery, and to be paid half yearly, and which shall be repayable at a date to be fixed at the time of delivery, not being less than twenty-five years nor more than fifty years after the time of sale. Both principal and interest may be payable in London, England, or Victoria, British Columbia.

The Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council may enter into all agreements with any person or company undertaking the construction of any railway, to which a subsidy is hereby attached, which may be necessary or convenient for the due construction and operation of such railway, which agreements shall, in every instance, be subject to the conditions herein provided for, contain the following provisions, viz:

(a.) That unless work is commenced on the railways mentioned in sub-section (a), (b), (c), (d) and (e) of section 8 hereof, on or before the 1st day of July, 1902, and is duly and diligently prosecuted to the satisfaction of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council, all right and claim to the aforesaid subsidy granted by this act shall be cancelled and forfeited:

(b.) That the aforesaid subsidy shall not be payable until the railway is completed and in running order, to the satisfaction of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council, nor until security or guarantees, satisfactory to the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council, is or are given for the continuous maintenance and operation of the railway, and no subsidy shall be payable or paid until after such completion and the giving of such security or guarantees:

(c.) That four per cent. per annum of the gross earnings of the railway shall be paid to the province, and such sums of four per cent. shall be a first charge upon such gross earnings:

(d.) That the railway obtaining the benefit of any such subsidy shall be constructed wholly and as a continuous line within the province:

(e.) That the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council shall have absolute control of the freight and passenger rates to be charged by the railway and, that, notwithstanding and in the event of the railway being or becoming subject to the jurisdiction of the Dominion government, the same shall be deemed a contract between the province and the company:

(f.) That the railway may be acquired at any time by the province at a valuation to be determined by arbitration under the provisions of the "Arbitration Act." Provided, however, that in considering the valuation no sum shall be entertained by the arbitrators for the franchise belonging to the company:

(g.) That the conditions of this section may be varied at any time, and so from time to time and as often as the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council may deem advisable; always provided, that control of the subject matters referred to in this section by the government of British Columbia be not abrogated:

(h.) That in the event of a charter being granted by the Dominion government for a line of railway over or parallel to the route proposed in this act, that the foregoing conditions shall be assumed and carried out by the company so incorporated as a contract and obligation of said company prior to any other charge thereon:

(i.) That such terms and conditions for the proper carrying out of all the clauses (Qistuwemfwycmfwyshrdlushrdlestaoish of any such agreement and penalties and forfeitures to arise upon failure of the railway in respect thereof, shall be imposed as the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council may deem advisable.

(j.) That such other terms and conditions may be imposed as the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council may deem advisable.

No person, firm, or company, shall be entitled to a subsidy for the construction of a line between vicinity of English Bluff, aforesaid, and Midway, except on condition that the company applying for same shall enter into an agreement with proper assurances, satisfactory to the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council, to construct and to operate daily between the Mainland and Vancouver Island, at the most convenient point, to connect with the city of Victoria, a suitable steam ferry for the transportation of cars, freight and passengers.

The plans, specifications and conditions of any proposed contract for the construction of the railway shall be subject to the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council, and the contracts shall be submitted to public tender and competition, under such conditions as the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council shall approve, and no contract shall be awarded, or work or materials thereunder accepted, without the like approval.

No subsidy shall be granted to the railway mentioned in subsection (a) of section 8 of this act unless proper connection is made with the cities of Vancouver and New Westminster.

The terms of the "British Columbia Railway Act" and amendment acts, except as modified by the provincial charter of the company and this act, shall apply to all railways subsidized under this act.

Any person or company receiving the benefit of the provisions of this act as to any of the said proposed railways, and duly executing all agreements in that behalf, shall be and become thereby entitled and authorized to construct, maintain and operate a line or lines of railway with all usual and incidental powers in that behalf, between any of the points mentioned in this act to be more particularly defined in any agreements made hereunder, and subject to the provisions of the "British Columbia Railway Act," except as modified hereby.

It shall be lawful for the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council to cause to be built a bridge across the Fraser river in the neighborhood of New Westminster at a cost not exceeding five hundred thousand dollars, for the purposes aforesaid to enter into contracts for the construction of said bridge as may be deemed expedient, subject to submitting same to public competition, and after construction to enter into any agreements that the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council may deem expedient in connection with the user of said bridge by any railway or other companies, persons or firms, with power to fix a tariff of tolls.

It shall be lawful for the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works to expropriate any lands, tenements or hereditaments necessary for the approaches to said bridge, subject to the provisions of the "Land Clauses Consolidation Act" as to compensation.

No subsidy shall be paid before the 1st day of January, 1904.

Public Works.

Any balance of the moneys raised hereunder not required for the payment of the railway subsidies and building of the bridge authorized hereby, shall be appropriated in such amounts and in such manner as the legislature may from time to time authorize and direct, towards the construction of roads and public means of communication and transport and of other public works.

A WOMAN'S THROAT

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THE TRAIN ROBBERY.

Express Was Robbed of $3,000 and Some of Train Hands Seriously Injured.

Little Rock, Ark., April 23.—It is stated that over $3,000 was secured in the hold-up of the Choctaw, Oklahoma & Gulf passenger train last midnight near Iron Mountain crossing, four and a half miles west of Memphis. The train reached Little Rock half an hour late, at 6 o'clock this morning. Sidney Drew, the negro porter, who was shot by the bandits, was taken to St. Vincent's hospital, where his wound was dressed. His condition is serious. O. T. Meader, the express messenger, was badly beaten over the head and shoulders with a pistol, but was able to continue his run. The passengers were not molested.

Six masked men boarded the train at Bridge Junction, Ark., half a mile west of Iron Mountain crossing. Messenger Meader started to pass from the first car to the second, when he was confronted by four men, in whose hands were two revolvers and two shot guns. One of the gang grappled with Meader and secured the pistol he carried in his belt around his waist. About this time the train began to slow up, and soon came to a full stop. Then the shooting began. The two men, who had made him uncouple the cars under orders from two of the men who had mounted the cab, made Engineer Johnson pull the two baggage and express cars about half a mile away from the train. When the engine stopped, Geo. Ward, a boy who had been riding on the blind baggage, sprang off and started into the woods. A shot from one of the robbers brought him back to the train.

"Open the local safe or we will kill you," shouted the leader of the gang to the messenger. The messenger obeyed, and one of the men placed the contents of the local safe in a sack.

"Now, you and the kid get into the car ahead," was the order. Meader did not seem to move fast enough to suit the bandit, who had him in charge, and he fell upon Meader with the butt of a revolver, with which the express messenger was severely beaten over the head and back. The boy, frightened almost out of his senses, cowered into a corner of the car, and was not attacked. Meanwhile four of the gang were at work on the through safe in the second car. About a pint of nitro-glycerine was poured into the edges of the doors. When everything was ready, fuse was lighted, and all left the car. A terrible explosion followed. The door of the safe was blown off and hurled through the side of the car. The robbers then re-entered the car, and it was the work of a few moments to transfer the contents of the safe to the sack. Everything was taken. The robbers then jumped off and, with a few parting shots, disappeared into the cane brakes.

Engineer Johnson ran back to the rest of the train, and as soon as the coupling was made pulled away for Edmonson, the nearest telegraph station, twelve miles distant. Here the affair was reported to Superintendent Harris, who immediately secured a pack of bloodhounds and hurried to the scene.

FOR VALOR.

Three Canadians Who Are to Receive the Victoria Cross.

London, April 23.—The Gazette this evening announces that the Victoria Cross has been conferred on Lieutenants H. Z. C. Cockburn and R. E. W. Turner and Sergeant E. Holland, of the Royal Canadian Dragoons, for conspicuous bravery at Komatipoort river, November 7th, 1900, in protecting artillery from capture.

The annual return of recruiting of 1900 shows a total enlistment of 30,361 against 42,700 in 1899. The recruiting for the infantry is regarded as unsatisfactory. In spite of the reduction in the standard of height the number of enlisted infantrymen is below that of 1899, the recruits generally having preferred the showier branches of the service.

Applications for the new war loan continue to pour into the Bank of England. It is estimated that the loan was subscribed for six or seven times over, and it is expected that the list will be closed to-morrow, as it is not desired to lock up too much money.

FOUGHT FOR BOATS.

Many Lives Lost Through Wreck of a Turkish Transport.

Constantinople, April 23.—The latest reports show that from 180 to 300 men were drowned or killed at the time of the wreck of the Turkish transport Aslan near Yenbo, the first news of which was telegraphed from Jiddah, Arabia, on April 1st. A survivor says there was savage fighting between the soldiers and sailors for possession of the boats belonging to the transport.

GERMAN CUSTOMS DUTIES.

London, April 23.—A dispatch received here from Berlin says the scale of customs duties which is proposed shall govern future commercial treaties is as follows: Wheat, rice and oats, 5½ marks per one hundred kilograms; maize, 2½; barley malt, 5½; other malt, 8; steers, cows and calves, 5 marks per 100 kilos; live weights, oxen, 9; sheep, 5; hogs, 8.

SYSTEMATIC FRAUDS.

Washington, April 23.—Systematic frauds practised on the lines of the Washington Traction & Electric Company, to an extent of possibly $50,000, have been discovered. Eight of the employees, six of whom are conductors and two firemen, are under arrest on a charge of conspiracy.

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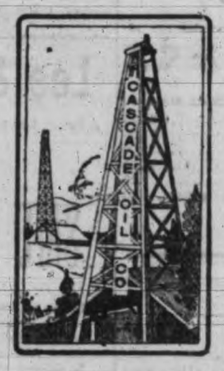

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Provincial Parliament

The Government Crosses the Rubicon and Submits Its Railway Policy.

Amendments to the Coal Mines' Regulation Act Submitted to the House.

Victoria, April 23rd, 1901.

To-day was an eventful one in the House. The government finally crossed the rubicon and brought down to the House a bill embodying their views on the railway question, which will be found in another column. Night sessions were inaugurated, and a considerable amount of routine business polished off the order paper. Late in the evening Messrs. Helmcken and McPhillips entered a vigorous protest against the policy of the leader of the opposition being accepted by the government.

Afternoon Session.

Prayers were read by Rev. W. H. Barraclough, B.A.

First Reading.

Hon. Mr. McBride introduced a bill amending the Mineral Act. It was read a first time.

Questions.

On reaching the question of Mr. McInnes on the order paper, Hon. W. C. Wells asked that it stand two weeks.

Mr. McInnes—Will the session last that long?

Hon. Mr. Wells—Oh! I think so.

The suggestion was adopted, it being understood that if the session does not last two weeks an answer will be forthcoming.

Mr. Martin asked the government:

(1.) Is the government reserve near Barkerville, better known as Steele's ranch, leased; and if so, to whom? If not, what is being done with said ranch?

(2.) When said ranch was leased some time ago, to whom was the same leased? Were tenders called for, and if so, what tenders were received?

(3.) Was said lease renewed recently, and if so, on what terms? Were any tenders asked for or received?

Hon. Mr. Wells replied as follows:

"(1.) The government reserve near Barkerville, which is known as Pleasant valley, is leased to Mr. S. A. Rogers.

"(2.) To S. A. Rogers. Yes; tenders were received as follows: From S. A. Rogers, $40 per annum, and Wm. Kelly $20 per annum, rental.

"(3.) Yes: on the same terms as the former lease. No."

Royal Columbian Bill.

The Royal Columbian bill was read a third time and finally passed.

Eight Hour Law Again.

On Hon. Mr. McBride moving that the report of the bill amending the Metalliferous Mines Act be adopted, the member for Nelson introduced an amendment as follows to strike out section and substitute the following:

"21a. Every person who, after the first day of January, A.D. 1902, being employed in or about a metalliferous mine, in which mine the machinery hereinafter mentioned shall be operated for more than twenty hours in each twenty-four, operates or handles for more than eight hours in any twenty-four any direct acting, geared or indirect acting hoisting machine, shall be guilty of an offence under this act.

"21b. Every person who, after the said date, in any such mine, operates a stationary engine or electric motor developing fifty horse power or more, and shall perform any of such duties for more than eight hours in any twenty-four, shall be guilty of an offence under this act.

"21c. Any person, corporation or company who shall induce or persuade any person or persons to do any act, matter or thing in contravention of the two preceding sections hereof shall be guilty of an offence under this act, but it shall not be deemed an offence under this or the two preceding sections if any person operates any such machinery for more than the period mentioned for the purpose of relieving another employee in case of accident, sickness, or other unforseen cause."

Mr. Houston said this made the bill explicit and made the bill applicable to engineers of electrical hoists as well as to those of steam hoists.

Mr. Dickie opposed the motion. Such matters were more easily adjusted between employer and employee. In embryo mines the engineers had an easy time, and this matter could be easily solved by the owners. In regard to safety, mine owners were quite as capable as members of the House to judge of what provisions were necessary for the safety of a mine.

Mr. Helmcken asked the Minister of Mines for his opinion.

Hon. Mr. McBride said he had always favored an eight hour day, but he wanted to guard against trouble between miners and mine owners. He approved of the sections.

Mr. Helmcken then asked why the Minister had not fathered the motion.

Hon. Mr. McBride replied that the matter had never been brought to his attention.

Mr. Clifford said this involved the whole question of the eight hour law, and he moved the adjournment of the debate.

Mr. Green opposed the adjournment of the debate. The notice had been on the order paper for three weeks and members had therefore ample time to consider the matter.

Mr. Houston held that his amendment would only apply to developed mines as the character of the machinery to which it applied was only such as was used in advanced properties. Medical men, too, held that eight hours was all that an engineer in charge of such plants should be allowed to work.

The motion to adjourn the debate was carried.

Revenue Bill.

On the report of the Revenue bill being considered, Hon. Mr. Turner and Mr. Gilmore offered a number of amendments, and the consideration of the bill was laid over until to-morrow.

Children's Protection.

The Children's Protection and Reformation bill was re-committed with Mr. Muhro in the chair. The bill was reported complete with amendments.

Examination for Miners.

Hon. Mr. McBride moved the second reading of the Coal Mines Regulation Act Amendment Act. In doing so, he said he did not think it was necessary to explain the necessity for such a measure after the eloquent speech on the subject which had been delivered by the member for Nanaimo. The House owed a duty to the miners and this was the scope of the bill. He acknowledged the assistance of the members for North Nanaimo and for Nanaimo. They had also consulted the Nova Scotia act, but the present bill went somewhat further than it. The examination clause was only fair. It was sought to determine that those who worked in the dangerous portions of the mine should be aware of those dangers. The bill was bound to redound to the protection of the miners. Rules and regulations would have to be provided, and he would see that these facilitated the working of the bill.

R. C. Smith expressed the great interest he felt in the measure, having been asked by the miners of Fernie to introduce such a measure last session. He had asked the assistance of Ralph Smith, but that gentleman had told him the session was an emergency one and that there was no time to pass it. The accident which had since taken place at Cumberland made him feel responsible for that omission.

Mr. Smith then referred to the efforts to shut Chinese out of the mines and to the fact that the Empress of China was now on the high seas loaded down with Chinese.

He would have preferred the bill introduced by Mr. Hawthornthwaite. He believed in protecting both capital and labor, but his opinion was that capital was amply protected at present. He had been a wage earner and an employer, and he believed good pay, good men, and good work usually went together.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite said the Minister had shown a disposition to meet the demands of laborers by the presentation of the measure now before the House. Personally he was in a peculiar position. He had a bill himself before the House which suited his constituents and coal miners generally. In some respects this bill was a better one, and in others a worse one than his own. In the present measure provision was made for representation of the mine owners on the examining board. He could not see what they had to do with the matter. They could hire or reject a man after he had passed the examination. Still he was a reasonable man, and represented reasonable men, and he was willing to accept the compromise.

There was a matter he wished to mention. The bill when introduced had been met with some heat. There was no reason whatever for this. Members had a perfect right to voice the wishes of their constituents without having epithets hurled across the chamber at them such as "demagogues," "playing to the galleries," etc.

Reference had also been made by the government press to the "dangerous trend of legislation" contemplated, and that capital could be twisted. But he noticed that some members of the government couldn't trust capital and wanted to secure part of the railway earnings of the roads of the province. They practically wanted to say how much the railways should earn. If this was not socialism he would like to know what it was. The senior member for Esquimalt also wanted the government to go into the manufacture of powder.

Demagogism was a bad thing. There was only one thing more hateful in the eyes of God and man, and that was pandering to wealth, to power and to position. There was no reason why these matters could not be discussed without the employment of such terms as "demagogue" on one hand, and "bloated capitalist" on the other.

If the government would accept several amendments which he proposed to offer in committee he would support the bill.

The present measure had left out fire bosses, overmen and men at the working face from the list of those who should possess certificates. Neither did it fix any date for the examination. This should be held either monthly or quarterly. The educational test, too, had been left out. His own bill would not have excluded all Chinamen, although that offered by Mr. McInnes would have done so. His merely excluded Chinese from the working face. He read the letter of the Premier to the Ottawa authorities in which Mr. Dunsmuir said public sentiment would stand no temporizing on the exclusion, and congratulated the House on having the Premier's support in the matter.

Mr. McInnes also expressed his pleasure that the Minister of Mines had introduced a bill. It was capable of amendment which would make it more workable. One of these amendments should require certificates for all employed at the working face. Another require all working below ground to have a knowledge of the English language. In cases of emergency, orders had to be given quickly, and these orders understood immediately. To make a miner safe he should be compelled to show that he was acquainted with the English language. He also endorsed the suggestion of fixing a date for the examination. With these amendments he thought the measure should be effective.

Mr. Neill also supported the measure. He asked, however, why the operation of the measure was not extended to metalliferous mines. There was no reason why a coal miner should possess greater technical knowledge than a metalliferous miner. A demand for such an extension of the principle was sure to be made, and the Minister might well show that he was abreast of his time by anticipating this demand. He might well state that such a thing would be taken next session. If he did not do so they would understand that he did not intend to do so. (Laughter.)

Mr. Helmcken thought the provision for representation on the board by the miners and the owners was a proper one as it contemplated representation of both parties to the matter. He also asked that the Minister bring the bill abreast of the times by providing for a test of the powders best adapted for the different mines.

A New Member.

The division bell had just rung when Mr. McPhillips entered and took his seat, his first appearance since the extension of his paternal responsibilities. There was a volley of applause in the midst of which Mr. Helmcken asked when the member would be introduced.

In Committee.

The bill was then committed with Mr. Kidd in the chair. Progress was reported.

The Railway Bill.

The Attorney-General presented a message from His Honor the Administrator, recommending the passage of a bill to authorize a loan of $5,000,000 for the construction of railways and other important public works. The bill was committed, reported and adopted. The bill then received its first reading.

Poison Bill.

The Poison Act Amendment bill received its second reading. It confers power to inspect druggists' books with a view to ascertaining who have bought poison.

Births, Marriages and Deaths.

The Births, Marriages and Deaths Act Amendment bill, providing that the returns be made to the registrar general instead of the Provincial Secretary, received its second reading.

Land Grants to Volunteers.

The Chief Commissioner moved the second reading of the bill respecting land grants to British Columbia volunteers serving in South Africa. The Chief Commissioner in doing so referred to the way in which the volunteers had acquitted themselves, saying that they had earned faithfully and well such recognition. These lands might be taken up in any part of the province where they saw fit.

Mr. Helmcken complimented the Chief Commissioner on the step he had taken. He pointed out that the term "British Columbian" might be interpreted to mean a native of the province and not one who went from here to the front. The bill was then committed, and progress reported.

Supreme Court Bill.

Hon. Mr. Eberts introduced an amendment to the Supreme Court Act. The object of the bill was to reduce the appellant sittings, five of which are now held in Vancouver and five in Victoria. It curtailed the total sittings to four for the two places, with power for the judges to have an extra sitting at each place.

It had been the course to have civil sittings in the upper country at the time of the assizes. The present bill provided for additional sittings for civil cases. There would be six of these each in Vancouver and Victoria.

The bill also conferred power to garnishee debts after judgment.

Capt. Tatlow asked that the bill be amended to provide for the residence of a Supreme court judge in Vancouver.

Mr. Martin agreed that it was advisable to cut down the number of courts to four. He saw no reason, however, for departing from the rules which allowed of alternate sittings in Vancouver and Victoria. He held that the provisions of the bill sought to divert legal business from Vancouver to Victoria.

Mr. Helmcken held the complaint of the leader of the opposition to be perfectly groundless. He himself had heard the learned judges state that there was no necessity for more than four sittings.

Mr. Murphy, as an up-country practitioner, was glad to see that some of the sittings of the Supreme court were to be cut out. The provision for hearing cases promptly in the up-country was a wise one, as it was much more important that these expensive suits should be disposed of than that there should be plentiful appeal facilities in Victoria or Vancouver.

He failed to see the point in the criticism of the leader of the opposition that Vancouver was to be discriminated against.

Mr. Curtis took advantage of the opportunity to refer to the need for a remedy of court abuses throughout the Kootenays.

The Minister of Mines regarded the bill as a great improvement on the old bill. He regretted the attempt on the part of the leader of the opposition to raise a sectional issue. He pointed out that the arrangement was absolutely fair to both cities. He wanted to see facilities provided for the Boundary country in the way of Supreme court sittings, as the growth of the section warranted. The principle of the bill had been endorsed by the bar of Vancouver.

Mr. Green said he was glad that the Minister of Mines had visited the Kootenay and had recognized that most of the appellant business came from there. He would like to take each of the members on an educational trip through there.

The Speaker then saw six o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

Small Debts.

A bill amending the Small Debts Bill received its second reading, and was committed with Mr. Hawthornthwaite in the chair. It was reported complete.

Bills of Sale.

The Bills of Sale Act amendment Bill came up for second reading. The debate was adjourned.

Dairy Association.

The Dairy Association Act Amendment Bill received its second reading and was committed, with A. W. Smith in the chair. The bill was reported.

Assessment Bill.

The report of the Assessment Bill was adopted.

Petitions.

Mr. Garden presented a petition from citizens of Vancouver with reference to government ownership of railways.

Mr. Gilmour presented two petitions of the same tenor.

Railway Bills.

On the third reading of the Chilkat & Kleahini Railway Bill, Hon. Mr. Eberts offered the following amendment:

"That the following be added as new sections:

"'The company shall, before the railway is opened for the carriage of freight and passengers, give security to the satisfaction of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council—

"'(1.) That the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council shall have the absolute control of the rates for freight and passenger traffic.

"'(2.) That in the event of a charter being granted by the Dominion government to the promoters herein for a line of railway over or parallel to the route proposed in this act, the foregoing conditions shall be assumed and carried out by the company so incorporated, as a contract and obligation of said company prior to any other charge thereon.'"

An amendment to the amendment was moved by Mr. Martin as follows:

"That all the words after the words 'sections' be struck out, and the following substituted therefor:

"'This act shall not come into force or effect until such time as the company shall give security to the amount of one thousand dollars per mile of the railway, to the satisfaction of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council:

"'(1.) That the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council shall have the right to fix maximum rates for freight and passenger traffic, and the company shall not charge rates higher than those so fixed:

"'(2.) That in the event of Dominion legislation bringing this railway company under the exclusive jurisdiction of the parliament of Canada, the foregoing conditions shall be carried out by the company so incorporated, as a contract and obligation of said company prior to any other charge thereon.'"

Mr. Eberts said he would accept the amendment if the $1,000 provision was stricken out. To this Mr. Martin consented.

Mr. Helmcken protested against being asked to support a measure which seemed to emanate not from the Attorney-General but from the leader of Her Majesty's loyal opposition. He wanted to give his support to the government, but he was not prepared to follow the dictum of the leader of the opposition.

Mr. McPhillips, too, entered his protest. He was not surprised that the leader of the opposition should be glad to foist his views upon the dominant party in the House. But he (Mr. McPhillips) was going to act independently in the matter. He would not go back on all that he had stood for when he was before his constituents. He was a Canadian, and he stamped as disloyal the present proposal. The moment a road was declared to be one for the general advantage of Canada it was removed from provincial authority. They had the opinion of Hon. David Mills on that point. The position he took might not be the popular course. But he hoped he was sent to the assembly to exercise some common sense. The province was not unrepresented at Ottawa. Although he was not in accord with the party in power at Ottawa, they had taken steps, especially in the matter of the Crow's Nest Southern railway they had taken effective steps, to protect the people of the province. He pronounced the proposed legislation as "bosh." Was the leader of the opposition on the treasury benches? To admit his policy on statute books was to admit something the people had condemned. It meant that the dominant party would go before the people with a policy which they had condemned. He had never learned that a party for some motive, which was not apparent, could go back on their own policy. He for one was independent, and would never vote for something that would thwart the authority of the Dominion.

Hon. Mr. Eberts said the legislature should so surround these acts that the government should have the control of the rates. He had endeavored to do that. He went further, and sought to make that provision binding, even where a Dominion charter was obtained. The leader of the opposition thought he could improve on that by making the contract with the province a binding one. To avoid clashing he made section 1 read that they could make the rate the maxium one only.

Mr. Curtis hailed the decision of the Attorney-General to protect the province's interests with joy. He asked him, however, to introduce the provision in the General Railway Act, so that it would apply to railways which obtained charters last session, but which had not yet turned a sod. He was inclined to agree with Mr. McPhillips's view of the competency of the province to pass such legislation as the present, and he illustrated his meaning by showing the conflict which might arise between two provinces through which the same line of railway ran.

A division being taken on the different amendments resulted in great confusion, Mr. Garden epitomizing the false position in which a number of government supporters found themselves by the remark, "I vote with the leader of the opposition; he's the government." Finally the amendment of the Attorney-General was allowed to stand part of the bill.

Mr. Curtis then moved as follows:

That the bill be referred back to the committee of the whole to insert in each the following as a new section:

"The plans, specifications and conditions of any proposed contract for the construction of the railway shall be subject to the approval of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council; and that the contracts shall be submitted to public tender and competition under such conditions as the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council shall approve; and no contract shall be awarded, or work or material thereunder accepted, without the like approval; and no mortgage charge shall be put against the line of railway beyond the fair cost of same and its equipment."

Also to add a new section as follows:

"... That no aliens shall be employed on the railway during construction, unless it is demonstrated, to the satisfaction of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council, that the work cannot be proceeded with without the employment of such aliens."

Mr. Curtis moved the adjournment of the debate and the House rose.

Notices of Motion.

The Hon. Mr. Turner to move, on the consideration of the report on bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to provide for the Collection of a Tax on Persons," the following amendments:

Add to section 5 the following as subsection (3):

"(3.) In the event of any person liable to the tax while in the employ of a merchant, farmer, trader or employer of labor, having paid the tax for the then current year, and produces the receipt therefor to such merchant, farmer, trader or employer of labor, the liability of such merchant, farmer, trader or employer of labor shall cease in respect to the tax on such person; provided, however, that the assessor or collector shall, on demand, be furnished by such merchant, farmer, trader or employer of labor with the particulars of the name, number, date and place of issue upon such receipt."

Section 10, after the word "with," on the fifth line, add the words "an amount not exceeding."

Mr. Hunter to move, on the consideration of the report on bill (No. 25) intituled "An Act to provide for the Collection of a Tax on Persons," to amend section 3 by striking out of line 9 the words "one thousand," and insert in lieu thereof the words "seven hundred."

On Thursday next the Hon. Mr. McBride will ask leave to introduce a bill intituled "An Act respecting St. Paul's Episcopal Church, New Westminster."

Mr. Fulton to move, in committee of the whole on bill (No. 8) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Supreme Court Act,'" to insert the following as section 10:

"10. When a judgment or order is for the recovery or payment of money the party entitled to enforce it may apply to the court or a judge for an order that the debtor liable under such judgment or order be orally examined as to whether any and what debts are owing to the debtor, and whether the debtor has any and what property or means of satisfying the judgment or order, before a judge or an officer of the court, as the court or a judge shall appoint, and the court or judge may make an order for the attendance and examination of such debtor, or of any other person; and after such examination may order and direct that the amount due under such judgment or order be paid by instalments, and may, from time to time, rescind or vary such order."

Mr. A. W. Smith to move, in committee of the whole on bill (No. 14) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Placer Mining Act, and amending Acts," the following as a new section:

"Subject to the provisions of this act as to the payment of damages caused by digging ditches or erecting flumes on occupied or unoccupied lands, every free miner shall have the right to run the tailings from his placer mine into the river near his mining property."

Mr. Hawthornthwaite to move, in committee of the whole on bill (No. 47) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Coal Mines Regulation Act,'" the following amendments:

That the following words be added after the word "act," in the 45th line of section 2:

"Provided that the examination as aforesaid shall be held on the first Monday in each and every month."

That the following words be inserted between the words "shot by the" and "in," in the 39th line of section 2, "fireboss or overman."

That the following words be inserted between the words "conversant" and "with," in the 31st line of section 2, "with the English language and."

That the following words be inserted between the words "miner" and "or," in the 30th line of section 2, "fireboss, overman."

That the following words be added after the word "mine," in the 29th line of section 2:

"Provided that the said two coal miners who act on the said board of examiners for the first year after the coming into force of this act, shall not be required to hold a certificate of competency."

That section 2 be amended by inserting the words "fireboss, overman," between the words "miner" and "or," in the 14th line thereof.

That the following words be inserted in the 4th line of section 2, between the words "miners" and "and," "fireboss, overmen."

Mr. McPhillips to move, on consideration of the report on bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Assessment Act,'" to strike out in section 7 the whole of line 9 and 10, inclusive of the word "company" in line 11, being the first word of said line 11.

Mr. Houston to move, on consideration of the report on bill (No. 28) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Inspection of Metalliferous Mines Act' and Amending Act," to insert the following

"12. Section 25 of said act is hereby amended by inserting immediately after General Rule 21, in said section 25, two general rules as follows:

"21a. Every person who, after the first day of January, A.D. 1902, being employed in or about a metalliferous mine, in which the machinery hereinafter mentioned shall be operated for more than twenty hours in any twenty-four, (1) operates any direct-acting, geared, or indirect-acting hoisting machine exceeding fifty horse-power, or (2) operates any stationary engine or electric motor exceeding fifty horse-power, and shall perform any such duties for more than eight hours in any twenty-four, shall be guilty of an offence under this act.

"21b. Any person, corporation or company who shall induce or persuade any person or persons to do any act, matter or thing in contravention of the preceding section hereof shall be guilty of an offence under this act, but it shall not be deemed an offence under this or the preceding section if any person operates any such machinery for more than the period mentioned for the purpose of relieving another employee in case of accident, sickness, or other unforseen cause."

Mr. Curtis to move, on the third reading of bill (No. 24) intituled "An Act to amend the 'Assessment Act,'" to recommit the bill and have inserted therein a new section as follows:

"Section 14 of the said act is hereby amended by adding immediately after sub-section (5) the following sub-section:

"(5a.) The average cost per ton for winning, getting, mining and raising the total amount of ore mentioned in sub-sections (1) and (2) of the section."

And by adding to sub-sections (7) and (8 of said section 14 respectively the following words: "and exclusive of the fair average cost of winning, getting, mining and raising such ore, which net value shall be considered the assessable value thereof."

Mr. Helmcken to move, in committee of the whole on bill No. 2 intituled "An Act to authorize Grants of Lands to British Columbia Volunteers serving in the South African War," to amend section 4 by adding the following words at the end of said section: "All proper and reasonable expenses in connection with location of any land to be selected shall be borne by the Crown."

Mr. Tatlow to move, in committee of the whole on bill (No. 2) intituled "An Act to authorize Grants of Land to British Columbia Volunteers serving in the South African War," to amend section 3 in line 5, by inserting after "lands" the words "or small holdings, to be selected from any lands set aside by the government for the purpose of 'small holdings.'"

By Hon. Mr. Turner on Thursday next: That on Monday next and following days, to the close of the session, there may be two distinct sittings on each day, one from 2 p.m. until 6 p.m., and the other from 8 p.m. until adjournment.

Questions.

Mr. Murphy on Monday will ask the Attorney-General:

1. Is it the intention of the government to bring the "Cattle Act" into force?

2. If so, when?

3. If answer to No. 1 be "Yes," will government agents and constables be instructed to see that the provisions of said act are carried out?

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

The fishing tug Heather Belle has been stuck in the ice field since Saturday morning seven miles from Owen Sound.

There was a daring robbery of mails at Moncton post office on Monday night. The robbers went through the mails, which arrived from St. John and Halifax, taking the registered letters and everything of value.

Two hundred of the Royal Munster Fusiliers refused to parade at Carlisle Fort in Cork on Tuesday as a mark of their disapproval for being transferred from Spike Island to Carlisle Fort. It is understood that soldiers from another battalion will be sent to Carlisle Fort to bring the insubordinate soldiers under control.

A Pekin dispatch says Field Marshal von Waldersee has made application that the gate of the Forbidden City be guarded by German troops after the departure of the Americans. General Chaffee has replied that American soldiers will continue to guard the gate. At this the Germans are indignant. If General Chaffee persists in this course, diplomatic representations will be made in the matter.

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THE RAILWAY POLICY.

The bill introduced yesterday by the government as the embodiment of their railway policy is a most extraordinary measure. In the outset it may be observed that it settles the question of the Coast-Kootenay Railway. Victorians need not hope that any such railway will be commenced this year, if at all. It would seem as if the government, fearing to give the bonus directly to the Canadian Pacific Company, has determined that the next best thing is to attach such conditions to the proposed subsidy as will prevent any corporation of financial standing from undertaking the enterprise. This is plainly in the interests of the Canadian Pacific Railway, since if the country is not opened up by an independent line it will remain an unoccupied field for that company to enter at a time which may suit its convenience. It is true that on its face the Bill purports to provide subsidies for and to impose conditions upon, railways other than the Coast-Kootenay, but as none of the other companies mentioned are in a condition to commence immediate construction, the exactions will not be felt by them, though they will operate most disastrously upon Coast-Kootenay construction. The Government, no doubt, believes that it can make such amendments as will prevent its favorites from feeling the force of the restrictions when the latter concerns approach a stage where active operations are contemplated. Indeed, this is scarcely necessary, since under the Act as drawn the Government may formulate one set of conditions for the Coast-Kootenay, which will be sufficient to prevent its being built at all, while at the same time it may frame a contract for the Comox & Cape Scott Railway which will contain very few of the objectionable clauses.

The Bill appears to enunciate two fundamental principles: 1st. That it is desirable to centralize in the hands of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council as many of the powers of the Legislature as can be taken from it. 2nd. That all capitalists who wish to invest in the country are the natural enemies of the commonwealth, and should be subjected to continual exactions and be harassed by never-ending restrictions.

It would take more space than we have at our command to-day to criticize the measure in detail, but some reference ought to be made to the provisions of sections 10 and 11 of the Bill, which contain the conditions of the proposed contract with the railway companies accepting the subsidies. In the first place, the clause provides that the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council shall have an uncontrolled discretion in making the agreement. By this means the Legislature loses all opportunity of supervising the contract, and is not permitted even to name the company undertaking the construction of the railway.

Subsection b requires that four per cent. of the gross earnings shall be paid to the province, and that such sum shall be a first charge upon such gross earnings. It has been pointed out very often in the discussions that have lately taken place that this is a most unwarrantable sum to demand. It will be noticed also that no limit of time is mentioned. The railway may have paid back under the percentage system all the money advanced by the province, yet the four per cent. is a perpetual charge against its undertaking. Again, if it be right for the province to exact a four per cent. charge on the gross earnings on a four thousand dollar a mile basis, the Dominion may well say that they also should receive a proportionately larger amount in respect of the bonus, if any, which they will give the road. The company accepting the bonus will therefore have its undertaking taxed in such a way as to render it impossible of operation. Moreover, as this percentage is a first charge on all the earnings of the road, taking precedence of construction, bonds and operating expenses, it will completely block any attempt to finance the undertaking in the money market.

Subsection e provides that the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council shall have absolute control of the freight and passenger rates, and that in the event of the railway becoming subject to the jurisdiction of the Dominion government this condition shall be deemed a contract between the government and the province. There is little question but that this provision is ultra vires of the Provincial Legislature. The result of inserting it and insisting upon its enactment will probably be the disallowance of the Act by the Dominion government.

Subsection f provides that the railway may be acquired at any time by the government without paying anything for the franchise, at a valuation to be determined under the Arbitration Act. It is difficult to conceive of a more absurd proposition to lay before financial people. Under this provision the company building the road must take all the risks of the enterprise in the beginning. If it is a failure, of course the government will not buy; if it is a success, then the government proposes to take it without allowing the investor any chance to reap a profit on his undertaking. It is thought to be a fair thing to tell him that for the privilege of constructing a railway in a new country, where he may lose all his money, he should be willing after he has developed the territory and made his road a success to turn it over to the government at a sum which arbitrators shall decide has been the actual cost of construction. It is safe to predict that not a dollar will ever be invested in railways while that clause remains as a condition of the contract.

Subsection h provides that the foregoing section shall be assumed as a contract by the company in case the work is declared a work for the general advantage of Canada. This is also ultra vires of this Legislature.

Subsection i is probably the most extraordinary clause that ever appeared in any statute. The main section 10 provides that the agreements which are made with the company shall contain the following provisions, and one of the provisions is subsection i, namely:

"That such other terms and conditions may be imposed as the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council may deem advisable," that is to say, that after a railway company has executed the contract and invested a large sum of money in its prosecution the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council may change the contract in any way which suits them, and quite regardless of the interests of the other party to the agreement. Moreover, even if not interpreted as above the clause places in the hands of the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council power to thwart the will of the people as expressed in the Legislature, by exacting impossible terms from any company the incorporators of which are not personally acceptable to the individual members of the Executive, although their undertaking may be a work of the greatest utility. In other words, the independent members of the House are expected to abrogate their rights, to yield their judgment and to place their votes by proxy in the hands of the Premier and his associates. Knowing what we do of the present Government, and judging its policy by the administrative acts it has so far accomplished, one can safely predict that under this clause personal prejudice and narrow selfishness will usurp the place of broad statesmanship and just administration.

TEACHERS' SALARIES.

Some of the gentlemen engaged in the arduous task of "teaching the young idea how to shoot" seem to be laboring under a misapprehension as to the position of the Times on the question of salaries. We thought we had made it clear that what we contended for was that where there was equality in ability to impart knowledge there should be no inequality in remuneration because of accident of birth or of whim of the mysterious power which regulates sex. It is the work that should be looked at, not the nature of the garments nor the length of hair which the worker wears, nor even parchments from universities nor the number of initials individuals are empowered to attach to the rear of their names. It is perfectly true that custom has established in too many cases that in the open market the labor of woman shall not be paid as highly as that of man. But the fact that individuals set up false standards is no reason for communities of individuals who may generally be depended upon to do the right thing—following their example. The publishers in the time of George Eliot did not tell her they could only pay a two-third or a half rate for her works as compared with male novelists because they were the product of a feminine hand and the imaginings of a feminine brain. Printers and public beheld that her work was good, and were willing to pay the highest prices for it. As a matter of ab-

labor, and any departure from a course which we consider to be absolutely fair by any public body will always be condemned by the Times.

Surely there is nothing in such a position to justify the assertion that we are opposed to justice being done to the male assistant teachers of our public schools. They claim, and submit figures in proof of their claim, that they are discriminated against at the present time. There should be no difficulty about removing that grievance once it is laid fairly before the trustees. The board is credited, or perhaps it would be more correct to say some of the members are credited, with a desire to see more men engaged in the work of teaching and to induce more graduates of universities to join the ranks of the profession in Victoria. It is obvious that comparatively few of the young men and women of the province who aim at engaging in teaching as a means of earning a livelihood will be able for a considerable time to secure a university education. There are no universities in British Columbia at the present time, nor are there likely to be any for years to come. Few of those who aspire to the glorious privilege of being independent can afford to go abroad for a university course. We do most decidedly object to their being discriminated against on that account. Natural aptitude and experience are the qualifications most necessary for the successful imparting of instruction in our graded schools, and we hold that situations should be open in them for all our sons and daughters with the requisite ability without any discrimination in salaries or anything else.

The railway policy of the government is said to have been brought down. We are rather sceptical about that. The government asks for power to borrow five million dollars, which it proposes to lay out as it sees fit without going through the formality of consulting the Legislature. Paragraph of section 10, in which what purports to be the railway policy of the administration is set forth, says "That the conditions of this section may be varied at any time, and so from time to time and as often as the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council (which is the government), may deem advisable." A Legislature which will swallow that might as well go out of the legislative business. The government's railway policy has not been made known, but it has at least shown its hand sufficiently to enable a fairly shrewd guess to be made as to what its policy is. When it is made known it will be found that it is more in the interests of corporations than of the people of British Columbia.

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Oom Paul Kruger is reported to be disturbed in mind because of the possibility of Mrs. Botha being instrumental in inducing the Boers yet in the field to lay down their arms. What does the old gentleman want anyway? He gathered hay while the sun shone, or rather gold while the circumstances were propitious, and he ought to have enough to keep him from want for the remainder of his days. His working days as president are over. Surely his countrymen have suffered enough while he has been dwelling in bodily comfort whatever his condition of mind may be. It would be more natural to expect him to join his voice with that of Mrs. Botha in the effort to put an end to the sufferings of which he is the chief cause than to be alarmed at the prospects of peace being restored.

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And now it is the opposition that has its little differences. Who will get the portfolio of Finance Minister? Is the Attorney-General's position to become vacant also? Or is it the Premier who is tired of the hurly-burly of politics and is preparing to make way for the late leader of the opposition? Much that was perplexing in the conduct of certain members of the House since it has been in session has now been explained. Talk about the power of Jim Hill and J. Pierpont Morgan. These men are simply not in it with the corporation which directs the destinies of British Columbia through our legislature.

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The general opinion of the government's railway policy is that it is very very broad, but not half so broad as it is "deep."

WHEN MANDY'S MAD.

Roy Farrell Greene in Detroit Free Press.

She has a disposition sweet,
She labors like a Turk,
She keeps all things a lookin' neat,
An' ain't afraid t' work;
But somethin' happens now an' then
That riles her t' the core,
An' one can allers tell it when
My Mandy slams the door.

She'll bustle round about the house
A-hummin' some old song,
As meek an' quiet as a mouse,
When, presto, somethin' wrong!
I've learned it doesn't do to talk—
Talk won't her peace restore—
An' so I simply walk the chalk
When Mandy slams the door.

But then I never blame my wife,
I've noticed that the sex
Have saddled on them, all through life,
The little things that vex.
An' I've seen Mandy take things good
At which I'd up an' swore,
But put me down as "sawin' wood"
When Mandy slams the door!

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A CORRECTION.

To the Editor: There appeared in your columns of Saturday last an editorial headed: "Ladies on the Warpath," which dealt with the proposed increase of salary to the male assistant teachers. In view of what has already appeared, we feel that, in justice to our cause and our characters, we should place before the public in a true light the position which we have taken. We are sorry that our action has been misinterpreted by the editors of both papers, and that therefore it has not been fairly dealt with.

The following table of statistics will explain the position in which we find ourselves placed to-day:

Salaries of Assistant Grammar Grade Teachers.

School.	Male.	Female.
Girls' Central, II	$ ..	$ 800
Girls' Central, III	..	750
Boys' Central, II	830	..
Boys' Central, III	680	..
Boys' Central, IV	..	680
North Ward, II	..	800
North Ward, III	680	..
North Ward, IV	680	..
South Park, II	..	760
South Park, III	710	..
South Park, IV	710	..
Victoria West, II	..	800
Total	$4,290	$4,500
Average	$ 715	$ 765

This table shows that at the present time the ladies holding positions in the grammar grade are receiving on an average $50 per year more than the male teachers of the same grade. The twelve teachers—six male and six female—whose salaries are quoted above, are doing similar work, the idea of first, second, third assistant and so on having been abolished by the school board some years ago. In petitioning the board, we asked for an increase in salary based upon our merits. We believe that we are not being paid in accordance with the service rendered, and that in other lines of work we would receive more remuneration for equally good service. For this reason, and because our salaries are scarcely sufficient for the ordinary needs of life, we will be compelled to leave the profession for which we have carefully prepared, and to which we have devoted our best attention, unless our salaries can be increased to a respectable amount. We have sought to do injustice to no one, but have set forth our position in as honest a way as possible.

Do you not think, Mr. Editor, that your wrote your editorial without having an adequate knowledge of the plain facts? Do you not think that it would have been wise on your part to have investigated the pay roll of the city teachers and to have made not only the comparison which we have made above, but also a comparison between our salaries and those of persons of like abilities and experience in other lines of business? We feel that you have done us a serious injustice in this matter. We hope that this letter may be the means of enlightenment to those who are not conversant with the facts of the case and the position which we have taken.

COMMITTEE.

OUR CITIZEN SOLDIERS.

To the Editor:—Since the return of the men who went to South Africa to uphold the integrity of the Empire, what have the people of this city done for them? To those lads who came forward at their country's call more than a year ago, we gave an enthusiastic send off. Tears were in our eyes, our hearts were filled with patriotic fervor as each contingent left for the scene of hostilities. We celebrated with wild enthusiasm the victories in which they participated, we told each other that when they returned, nothing would be too good for them; they should have the best the city could afford; their future career we would assist. Had they not cheerfully given up positions to take up the rifle and fight for the honour and glory of our illustrious Empire; were not their deeds discussed and eulogized in every Canadian home? How we prayed for our brave boys and how carefully we watched each newspaper; how eagerly we scanned each bulletin. God bless our boys and send them back to us safe and sound. They shall lack nothing, and their names shall go down to posterity as men who bravely fought to right the wrong.

But the scene is changed. Our boys are back with us again. Our brave lads, the lads we swore to assist. Some, a very few, have secured positions, livings. The rest, some are so hard up that they have difficulty in paying for their board, while others whose little money—so little—is gradually dwindling away, as they go on day after day trying to get something to do to earn their bread, will soon, unless something is done for them, be compelled to apply for charity. What are we doing for these men? What have we tried to do for these men? Nothing. Oh! the pity of it.

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J. WAITES

58 FORT STREET.

ORIENTAL IMMIGRATION.

To the Editor:—The Oriental scare in British Columbia has resulted in a patient and thorough investigation by the royal commission of the troublesome question of whether the unrestricted admission of Chinese and Japanese to Canada is detrimental or beneficial to her interests. This investigation ought to have included Italians, Galicians and some others as well.

A very large volume of evidence has been elicited, much, no doubt, valuable and much seemingly worthless or misleading. Only conscientious and skilful experts could be expected competent to eliminate essentials from honest, unbiassed report out of such a conglomeration of assertions, suppositions and contradictions. From what evidence has been given of a Chinaman, he is certainly, at least, a very presentable species of the human race. A few phases may be interesting. Said to be honest, a thief, reliable, unreliable, filthy, unsanitary, personally clean, a faithful worker, a poor workman, lives well if wealthy, if poor lives mean, law abiding, respects not his word or oath, temperate, polite, abstemious, desirous of education, an ambitious and enterprising competitor.

Objections preferred: 1. Chinese and Japs are undermining and supplanting our people. Now, under similar conditions, I, as a Canadian, doubt this, and would regard it as a degenerating humiliation to entertain such an ideal of my countrymen's inferiority to hold their own against all competitors. If our industries are languishing some more applicable excuse might be found. Some old-time conservative practices or systems may be at fault; anyway it might be well to hold an inquiry, the result might be a propitious discovery.

2. They are said to live or fare too cheaply, yet they work approvingly. I think this ought to be put to their credit as a commendable attainment. Our habits of living are extremely voluptuary, and might be tempered with advantage to our health as well as to our pockets. Chinese abstemiousness is less objectionable than our epicurean habits of luxurious living. Half our toil and time goes for unnecessary indulgence, not in the interests of health.

3. They are blamed for importing goods from China. Well, this does not appear to be an innovation on trade principles. The maxim used to be, "Buy in the best and cheapest market." The Chinese dealers declare three-fourths of their purchases are from Britain, the Colonies and the United States. Even if all these importations came from China itself, can there be any blame? Are not our people and Britain traders with China in the same lines of merchandise? The Chinese have no monopoly. The larger the volume of our country's trade the greater our revenue.

4. They are said to fill up the avocations that ought to be occupied by whites and depreciate the labor market. No doubt to some extent they engage in what we call menial services, which are as indispensable for our welfare as those to which we attach more respect. They unhesitatingly perform services avoided by whites as undignified.

Where, then, lies the fault of low wages but in the mean avarice of our employers, that necessitates poor dependents in need of a living to accept the best they can get? If our people are sincere in their professions of appreciation of white labor or white employees, let them apply the remedy. Invite and offer liberal wages and agreeable positions, and possibly whites will respond to their call, and then presumably the despised Mongolian will have to move. But avarice on the one hand and necessity on the other are the chief causes of cheap labor; but, after all, high wages so eagerly coveted by the wage earner does not always yield the anticipated boon; for high wages necessitates high prices, while low wages admit of low prices, consequently the difference of advantage to the wage earner or consumer of commodities is more apparent than real. The promoters of industries regulate prices according to cost or profit. Wages and profits seldom remain long uniform, neither do all industries admit of uniform wages. Farmers have to regulate wages according to the market prices of their produce or shut down their business. The market price of the commodity from any industry naturally ought to regulate the price of labor or vice versa. Then it is evident workers in certain industries or employs must of necessity receive low wages; consequently, if whites that would take the place of Chinese in farming, gardening, laundry work, house cleaning, wood sawing, and the thousand and one chores, must accept the low-grade class of wages, cheap labor, whether Chinese or white, is a manifest advantage to families or individuals in poor or moderate circumstances, as much of their work would have to be left undone unless cheaply done. The same thing occurs in manufactured articles. A Chinese or Japanese firm that manufactures or sells as good an article for a lower price than the more exacting firm of the white manufacturer benefits the consumer correspondingly, and is therefore an especial benefactor of the poor or humble families. True, whites are more congenial to our tastes, and, if possible, let us have them; but, at the same time, let us deal honorably, justly and generously towards those who have bought the privilege to live amongst us.

I have had considerable to do with white laborers and some with Chinese, and my experience is that, generally speaking, the Chinaman is the least exacting and the most satisfactory worker of the two. Invariably I have found the white ready to quit work and sacrifice his employer's interest for the prospect of a new job or another dollar.

5. Similarly situated, are Chinese habits more unsanitary than white. A poor community is necessitated to drop into objectionable quarters, and straitened circumstances deny the comforts and conveniences the more favored may enjoy. If we recall some of the resorts of the poor to be found in all our large cities, their unsanitary habits and conditions will be found on a level with poor Chinese. Where, then, is our charity? Is it fair? Is it humane to denounce, demean and deny them the possibility of their redemption by enacting disabilities against them? A people whose dollars have enriched our treasury, and who believed they were entitled to engage in common with all others in the rough race of life, without let or hindrance. Is it British, is it Christian, to preclude any people from common equal rights to labor on public works, in mines, or any other works for an honest living, and thereby inevitably force them to steal or starve? If so, then it will be asking too much of our heathen brother to place even a moderate estimate on our British or Canadian fair play or our Christian civilization. Our civic and our legislative records and the racial crusade recently inaugurated are blots on our standard, an outrage on the open door, the freedom and the equal rights for all theory. This selfish disregard for our fellow man, this refusal to recognize our brother's equal rights, and the millions hoarded by the avaricious and lavished upon the fortunate titled and would-be aristocrats of our times, are the prime causes of nearly all the ills that afflict and disturb society in every land.

Pauperism and misery are the legitimate product of avarice and pampered pride and narrow-minded selfishness. Judging from facts, it seems that instead of our being much injured by the present number of Orientals we are materially benefited by their services and the amount of revenue collected from them, and that if a few hundred of them were bonused to go out and clear up some of our waste lands it would be quite a boon to our country.

Any human being that pays a hundred dollars entrance fee to a country and accepts taxation and other residential impositions ought to be accorded the common liberties and protection and advantages of citizenship, and be free from adverse discrimination. Irrational prejudice, ignoble hate or that despicable claim to inherited superiority of caste ought not to figure in the ostracism of any of the human race. We are free to admit that such a thing as clannishness does exist and is excusable to preserve ourselves from damage by uncongenial relations, but in our zeal to do this, let us be honorable, consistent, generous and just. We are not, nor ever will be, independent of our neighbors. We must do to them as we would that they should do to us. In the very nature of events many of our people are now, and will to a greater extent in future be, necessitated to mingle with and make common cause in a variety of commercial and other interests with these very people, now being interdicted by us. Instead of experimenting by unjust imposition and petty ostracisms, let our governments meet this question of racial exclusion in the spirit of a world-wide philanthropy, and our Dominion government effect some mutual, amicable, national arrangement conducive to the best interests of all concerned. It does seem that this tide of humanity setting in upon us from some parts of Europe and Asia needs immediate regulation.

JOHN M'KAY.

PHYSICAL CULTURE IN SCHOOLS.

To the Editor:—I wish to call attention to a feature in the programme of our school entertainment recently published by you. The three drills given by the school children were among the most pleasing exercises; that given by the sixteen young ladies being especially good. It was the result of long and careful training by our assistant teacher, Miss Bessie Lovell, a native Victorian, ably assisted by Miss Lomas, of this place, from designs kindly prepared by Mr. I. St. Cisle, instructor in physical culture in the Victoria schools.

The many and obvious benefits to be derived from exercises of this kind should lead to more attention being paid to this too often neglected branch of culture in our rural schools.

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Public Meeting

In compliance with a requisition received by me from Mr. Chas. E. Redfern and 47 others, owners of, or otherwise interested in, property on Government street, desiring that a public meeting be called to consider the advisability of removing the electric light and telephone poles from that portion of the said street about to be paved, and causing the wires to be placed under ground.

Notice is hereby given that a public meeting will be held in the

COUNCIL CHAMBER,

CITY HALL,

—ON—

Tuesday Next, the 30th inst.,

at 8 p. m., for this purpose.

CHAS. HAYWARD,
Mayor.

Victoria, B. C., April 23rd, 1901.

Public Meeting

A public meeting will be held in the

CITY HALL,

—ON—

Thursday Next, the 25th inst.,

at the hour of 8 o'clock p. m., to consider the advisability of holding a celebration on the 24th day of May next, and should it be decided that it is advisable to hold such celebration, to take into consideration the best way of providing the necessary funds for the purpose, and other matters incidental thereto.

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WEATHER BULLETIN.

Daily Report Furnished by the Victoria Meteorological Department.

Victoria, March 24.—5 a. m.—The barometric pressure has increased over the North Pacific slope, and the storm area has moved eastward and is now centred at Prince Albert, in Saskatchewan, where a thunder storm occurred last night. Rain has fallen on the British Columbia, Washington and Oregon coasts, but the weather has been mostly fair and winds light. Frosts are reported from the American plateau stations.

Forecasts.

For 36 hours ending 5 p. m. Thursday.

Victoria and vicinity—Moderate or fresh southerly winds, mostly fair, with stationary or higher temperature.

Lower Mainland—Light or moderate southerly winds, partly cloudy, with stationary or higher temperature.

Reports.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.33; temperature, 41; minimum, 41; wind, 12 miles W.; weather, fair.

New Westminster—Barometer, 30.28; temperature, 40; minimum, 40; wind, 4 miles S. W.; rain, .10; weather, cloudy.

Kamloops—Barometer, 30.22; temperature, 38; minimum, 38; wind, calm; weather, fair.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.14; temperature, 48; minimum, 48; wind, 8 miles S. W.; weather, clear.

CITY NEWS IN BRIEF.

Try new White Label Blue Ribbon Tea.

The Sterling Dry Goods House has removed to 39 Government Street.

—There is not a lame piece in the Rambler Bicycle. Cyclery, Broad and Broughton streets.

—In the police court this morning, Joe, an Indian, was fined $25 and $1 costs or one month's imprisonment, for having in his possession a bottle of rye whisky. A drunk was fined $2.50 or five days' imprisonment.

The fast steamer Dolphin will sail from here on Friday morning, April 29th, for Skagway and way ports. E. B. Blackwood, agent.

—C. N. Cameron's store at the corner of Douglas and Cormorant streets, was robbed on Monday night or Tuesday morning, when tobacco, hams and other articles were stolen. The thieves bored holes through the back doors, allowing them to put their hands in and open the locks.

—A meeting of the steamboat firemen was held in Salmon's hall last evening for the purpose of organizing a union at this place. The following officers were elected: President, Frank Abbot; vice-president, Thomas Landy; secretary, Alexander McLeod; treasurer, F. W. Shade; sergeant-at-arms, S. McKinnon.

—The Methodist ministers of Vancouver Island will hold their annual district meeting in the Metropolitan Methodist church on Wednesday and Thursday of next week. Rev. Dr. Carmen, general superintendent of the Methodist church for Canada, will be present, and will address a public meeting on Wednesday evening. The annual meeting of the British Columbia branch of the Women's Missionary Society will be held at the same time.

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—The following is the programme of the concert to be given by the Ladies' Choral Society to-morrow evening, 25th, in the Institute hall: Duet, "The Lord is a Man of War" (Handel), Messrs. Jones and Barton; song, "The Soldier's Betrothed" (Chaminade), Miss Estelle Hibben; violin solo, "Largo" (Handel), Master E. C. B. Fawcett; song, "Revenge" (Hatton), J. P. Jones; piano solo, "12th Rhapsody" (Liszt), Miss Laura A. Devlin, associate Toronto Conservatory of Music; song, "Abide With Me" (by request) Burnett, Mrs. G. J. Burnett; cantata, "Little Red Riding Hood" (Cramer), the Ladies' Choral Society; accompanist, Miss Gertrude Loewen; conductor, W. H. Barton.

—The streets and bridges committee of the city council will meet this evening.

The Sterling Dry Goods House has removed to 39 Government Street.

—Steamer Charmer left Vancouver at 1.25, after connecting with the Eastern train.

—Open until 9 o'clock every evening. Rambler Cyclery, Broad and Broughton streets.

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Opposition steamer "Rosalie" sails for Seattle, daily, except Saturday, at 7.30 p. m.

—Last evening the merchant and journeymen tailors held a meeting, at which it was decided that a meeting would be held in a short time for the purpose of considering a scale of wages for the journeymen which will be agreeable to the latter.

The remains of the late Mrs. Peter Allice were laid at rest yesterday. The funeral took place from the Russ house at 10 a. m. Rev. Elliot S. Rowe conducted appropriate services. The following acted as pall-bearers: Messrs. Antone Wallace, Frank F. Matula, Pasko Bozick and Benn Lopizech.

—The petition from the ratepayers submitted at the meeting of the city council last Monday evening requesting that a by-law be prepared for the raising of the $30,000 required for the building of a new high school, was signed by 147 citizens, who represented property to the value of $2,289,041. This is about half a million dollars more than is needed for the authorization of a by-law, and is the second largest petition in point of property valuation ever brought before the city council.

—Miss Fuller, who is to appear here on Friday evening, is surrounded by her own company of twenty-two people, who will be seen in the charming comedy, "An Accidental Sweetheart." Prominent among the company are Ada Lewis, Ida Banning and Charles Arthur, three artists who have become well-known as members of Frohman's New York Lyceum Theatre Company; Harry Braham, the celebrated monologist, and Lizzie Trinder, in illustrated songs, who will also appear in the laughable comedy, "His Last Chance."

—This evening, commencing at 8 o'clock in Temperance hall, Pandora street, a public meeting will be held under the auspices of the Victoria branch of the Lord's Day Alliance. R. B. McMicking, first vice-president, will occupy the chair, in the absence of the president, who is in Ottawa. It is expected that a large number will become members of this organization at the meeting to-night. Membership cards have been provided and will be ready for distribution at the close of the meeting. All who are interested are cordially invited to attend.

—Rogers, the criminal who struck Stoddart, a fellow inmate of the jail, about a week ago, was this morning put upon trial. It will be remembered that as the result of a quarrel while working Rogers attempted to strike Russwurm with a shovel, but the latter evaded the blow and Stoddart was struck, resulting in a severe wound on the head. The wounded man is doing well, and will soon be all right again. Rogers pleaded guilty to the charge this morning, and Magistrate Hall sentenced him to six months' imprisonment, the sentence to commence at the expiration of his present term.

—Frederick Plump was to-day committed for trial upon the charge of burglarizing the house of P. A. Raymond, of Springfield avenue, Victoria West, on December 9th of last year. The evidence went to show that Plump entered the house between 3 o'clock in the afternoon and 9.30 in the evening, while Mr. and Mrs. Raymond were absent and took jewellery to the value of $225 from the bureau in one of the bedrooms. The articles were identified by them and Detective Palmer testified to finding them in Plump's possession. Upon the charge of stealing $60 worth of jewellery from Kate Roscoe at the Delmonico hotel on December 1st of last year he was also committed for trial.

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To-night, at the Delmonico Music Hall, Mr. Lew Farrell will hypnotize a man weighing 320 lbs., suspending him on the backs of two chairs, with a small horse on his chest. Also don't forget to see the great Egyptian juggler, John Ramplin, juggling 17 swords while balancing a lighted lamp on his head.

—Commencing this evening the Wednesday night gospel meeting at the W. C. T. U. Mission hall, Johnson street, will be resumed. Christian workers are invited to attend and assist with the meeting.

—In Chambers this morning the following applications came before Mr. Justice Drake: Richarson v. Cane, adjourned for a week; Collister v. Hibben, an application to dismiss action, adjourned until 26th; Murphy v. Star, adjourned to a day to be fixed.

—To-night in Semple's hall, Victoria West, a concert will be given under the auspices of the I. O. G. T. In addition to the musical programme there will be club swinging, sword exercises, a number of tableaux and a comic sketch. The chair will be taken at 8 p. m. by Dr. Lewis Hall, G. C. T.

—The funeral of the late Mrs. John Latham took place from the family residence, Seventh street, yesterday, at 2 p. m., and later from St. John's church. Rev. P. Jenns conducted the services. The following were the pall-bearers: Messrs. S. J. Burley, Chas. McKenzie, C. W. Ross, Watson Clarke, Albion Johns and Geo. Watkins.

—The directors of the Jubilee hospital met at the residence of Dr. R. L. Fraser this morning, and presented the retiring matron, Miss J. L. Grady, with a resolution handsomely engrossed on parchment, which was adopted at the last meeting of the board. The directors, collectively and individually, wished Miss Grady every success in her new field of labor. After a few suitable remarks by Miss Grady, the meeting adjourned. Miss Grady leaves this evening by the steamer Danube for the North.

—The trial in Felgenbaum v. Jackson & McDonald is being conducted in the Supreme court before Mr. Justice Drake. The action is one which is brought by the proprietress of the Delmonico, Mrs. Felgenbaum, of San Francisco, against the proprietors of the Savoy upon the ground that the lighting of the Delmonico has been interfered with by additions to the Savoy. A number of the old time residents are witnesses in the case. The plaintiff is represented by E. A. McPhillips; the defendants by J. M. Bradburn.

—St. George's Day was celebrated by the Sons and Daughters of St. George last night by a banquet, impromptu concert and dance in the A. O. U. W. hall. The tables were placed in the upper hall and 150 members and friends partook of a repast of a high order of excellence. The hall was neatly decorated, among the flags being a couple which were in the campaign from Paardeberg to Pretoria. They belonged to Pte. S. C. Court, who served with the first Canadian contingent in the Transvaal. One of them was presented to the Sons of St. George, and another to the Daughters of St. George. After the banquet, an excellent impromptu programme of songs and recitations was rendered. Speeches breathing with patriotism were made by president, officers and others, and telegrams read from several provincial lodges. The floor was then cleared, and a dance was participated in by a large number.

THE OUTFIT SEIZED.

Customs Authorities Have Stopped Moran Bros.' Operations—Serious Charges.

The entire outfit with which the Moran Bros. were operating on the wrecked Williamette has been seized by the Canadian Customs authorities. More than this, as pointed out in the Times last night, they have committed a breach of the Allen Labor Act, and have made themselves liable to a penalty of $1,000 per man, or $40,000 for the lot. Their barge has been seized, because it was employed at work in Canadian waters open only to British vessels, while the plant, valued at $20,000, has been seized because no duty has been paid on it. Baynes Sound is not contiguous, and consequently the Morans have brought the aforementioned charges on their heads. They claim they were proceeding under authority of the United States secretary of state, from whom they received word saying they could commence work. They threaten to sue the Dominion government for damages.

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SISTER SUPERIOR DEAD.

Passed Away Yesterday Morning at St. Joseph's Hospital.

Sister Superior Mary Ann, of the St. Joseph's Convent, passed away yesterday morning at 7.15 a. m. She died very peacefully, showing no evidence of pain.

The death of Sister Superior Mary Ann has caused universal sorrow and mourning among her many friends. Messages of condolence are being received from all over the Dominion, and the air of grief which prevails throughout the corridors of the convent shows the esteem in which the deceased was held by those among whom she worked for the past twenty years.

Deceased was about 47 years of age, and a native of Quebec. She came to British Columbia about 25 years ago, and for the first five years taught school of the convent at New Westminster. She then came to Victoria and was made head superior at the convent in this city, which position she has held ever since.

The deceased has no relations in this city. She has, however, a mother living at Quebec.

The death occurred at the St. Joseph's hospital, and the remains were moved to the convent, where they are at present lying in state. The funeral will take place to-morrow morning from the convent.

NAVY LEAGUE.

Officers Appointed at Meeting of British Columbia Branch Last Evening.

A meeting of the committee of the British Columbia branch of the Navy League was held last evening, when, in addition to arranging by-laws, the governance of the branch was intrusted to the following gentlemen:

President, Hon. Sir Henry P. P. Crease, K. B.; vice-presidents, Hon. Edgar Dewdney, Hon. Mr. Justice Drake, Hon. Mr. Justice Martin, Right Rev. the Lord Bishop of Columbia, Hon. R. W. Pearse, Capt. Barkley and Capt. Devereux; treasurer A. J. C. Galletly; secretary, G. T. Devereux; committee, Hon. J. H. Turner, M. P. P.; G. A. Kirk, late R. N., Major C. T. Dupont, O. Meredith Jones, M. D., late R. N., James Thomson, F. W. Vincent, C. S. Baxter, Capt. John Irving, R. A. Roberts, P. L. S., late R. N., Roland Stuart, Joseph Peirson, J. P., Capt. J. G. Cox, Capt. J. T. Walbran, Richard Jones, Capt. Royds, late R. N., A. B. Fraser, sr., Richard Hall, M. P. P., F. L. Neale, W. H. Langley, Senator Templeman and C. H. Lugrin.

A public meeting is to be held at an early date. The main objects of this organization is the strengthening of Briton's right hand in maintaining the "command of the seas," the protection of commerce, and the urging of the paramount importance of an adequate navy as the best guarantee of peace.

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Personal.

Thomas Farley was among those who arrived in the city by the steamer Umatilla from San Francisco this morning. Mr. Farley was at Esquimalt in 1875, but at that time he never visited the town. He said that Esquimalt was then surrounded by a complete wilderness, and that the harbor was covered by Indians in canoes who were busy shooting ducks. Mr. Farley comes from Woodstock, California, and says that the frost of April 6th had destroyed in a large measure the almond crop, as well as the peach and grape crops. He also says that the early grain was looking very bad when he left California. Mr. Farley is staying at the Dominion.

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Among the arrivals at the Mount Baker hotel this week is J. W. Anderson, land commissioner of the Hudson's Bay Co., Winnipeg, and late accountant of the company in this city. His many friends will be glad to know that he is accompanied on this occasion by his bride.

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Chas. Wilson, F. J. Wheeler, R. Collister, R. Cassidy and A. J. Fell were among the arrivals from the Mainland last evening by the steamer Charmer.

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Miss D. Sehl and Miss Belfry were passengers from the Sound yesterday by the steamer Utopia.

John Coughlan arrived in the city from Vancouver yesterday by the steamer Charmer.

Mrs. L. Green arrived in the city from Seattle by the steamer Utopia yesterday.

Capt. Beecher was among the passengers from the Sound yesterday.

W. E. Buck arrived from Vancouver last evening.

TIDE TABLE.

Victoria, B. C., April, 1901.
(Issued by the Tidal Survey Branch of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.)

Date.	Day.	High Water. T'm.	High Water. Ht.	High Water. T'm.	High Water. Ht.	Low Water. T'm.	Low Water. Ht.	Low Water. T'm.	Low Water. Ht.
		h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.	h. m.	ft.
1	M...	1 32	7.3	13 30	6.7	7 50	4.8	19 14	4.0
2	Tu...	1 35	7.4	14 33	6.6	8 25	4.3	19 54	4.5
3	W...	1 46	7.6	15 30	6.7	8 57	3.8	20 23	4.9
4	Th..	2 04	7.8	16 26	6.6	9 30	3.4	21 19	5.3
5	F....	2 28	7.9	17 22	6.6	10 04	3.0	22 44	5.8
6	Sa...	2 55	8.0	18 21	6.6	10 40	2.8	22 12	6.1
7	Su...	3 20	8.0	20 24	6.6	11 19	2.7	22 32	6.6
8	M...	3 40	8.0	....	..	12 02	2.6	....	..
9	Tu...	3 56	8.0	....	..	12 49	2.6	....	..
10	W...	....	..	4 09	7.9	....	..	13 40	2.6
11	Th...	....	..	4 26	7.7	....	..	14 35	2.6
12	F....	1 43	7.4	5 15	7.4	3 08	7.3	15 33	2.6
13	Sa...	0 45	7.2	7 22	6.8	4 51	6.7	16 28	2.7
14	Su...	0 08	7.2	10 21	6.7	5 38	6.0	17 21	2.9
15	M...	0 06	7.4	11 49	6.7	6 23	5.1	18 12	3.3
16	Tu...	0 26	7.7	13 10	6.9	7 06	4.1	19 01	3.8
17	W...	0 55	8.0	14 25	7.1	7 48	3.1	19 46	4.3
18	Th..	1 26	8.4	15 35	7.2	8 31	2.1	20 29	5.0
19	F....	1 59	8.7	16 45	7.4	9 16	1.3	19 48	5.4
20	Sa...	2 33	8.9	17 57	7.5	10 04	0.8	22 01	6.1
21	Su...	3 08	9.0	19 11	7.5	10 55	0.5	22 50	6.6
22	M...	3 43	8.8	20 20	7.6	11 48	0.6	23 45	6.9
23	Tu...	4 16	8.4	21 40	7.6	12 42	0.9	....	..
24	W...	4 47	7.8	22 43	7.7	1 01	7.1	15 37	1.4
25	Th..	5 32	7.1	23 28	7.7	2 34	6.9	14 31	2.1
26	F....	7 45	6.3	23 47	7.6	4 26	6.3	15 22	2.7
27	Sa...	9 53	5.9	23 48	7.5	6 02	5.5	16 13	3.4
28	Su..	11 44	5.8	23 53	7.5	6 50	4.8	17 03	3.9
29	M...	....	..	13 06	5.9	7 17	4.1	17 51	4.5
30	Tu..	0 02	7.6	14 23	7.1	4 41	3.6	18 37	5.0

The Time used is Pacific Standard, for the 120th meridian West. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight.

EPSOM RACES.

London April 23.—At the first day's racing of Epsom spring meeting to-day the Great Metropolitan Stakes Handicap of 1,000 sovereigns was won by Evasit, with Johnny Reiff up. King's Messenger was second and Stoccado third. Seventeen horses ran.

The Lork Park Plate was won by Royal George.

The great Surrey Handicap of 500 sovereigns was won by La Lune. Horton was second and Esmeralda third.

The Bagstend Plate of 200 sovereigns was won by Killarue, Escurial being second and Winnipeg third.

WALL STREET.

(Associated Press.)

New York, April 24.—Union Pacific, Northern Pacific, St. Paul and Burlington were conspicuous features at the opening at advances of 1 to 1¾. Amal. Copper was lifted 1¼. Aside from these stocks the opening was rather quiet, and fractional net gains were the rule, but among the few declines there were losses of 1 to 1½ in N. Y. C., Northwestern and Am. Tobacco. The higher prices for Americans in London helped the opening here, and there were supporting orders by local operators.

The stock market opened: Amal. Copper, 121½; Atch. pfd., 96; B. & O., 106¾; B. & O., 95¼; B. R. T., 84¼; Erie, 37⅝; do. 1st pfd., 69¼; L. & N., 104⅞; Man., 128; Mo. Pac., 107; N. Y. C., 151; N. P., 103; R. I., 153; Reading, 38; do. 1st pfd., 76; St. Paul, 167½; Sugar, 145; Southern, 29⅝; Southern pfd., 82½; Southern Pacific, 50⅝; Tobacco, 126; U. P., 99⅝ to 99⅞; U. S. Steel (when issued), 46; do. pfd. (when issued), 94¼.

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Quick Relief From Pain.

All who use Chamberlain's Pain Balm for rheumatism are delighted with the quick relief from pain which it affords. When speaking of this Mr. D. N. Sinks, of Troy, Ohio, says: "Some time ago I had a severe attack of rheumatism in my arm and shoulder. I tried numerous remedies but got no relief until I was recommended by Messrs. Geo. F. Parsons & Co., druggists, of this place, to try Chamberlain's Pain Balm. They recommended it so highly that I bought a bottle, I was soon relieved of all pain. I have since recommended this liniment to many of my friends, who agree with me that it is the best remedy for muscular rheumatism in the market." For sale by Henderson Bros., wholesale agents.

AND THEN.

"No man," says an embarrassed father, "ever fully realizes the wealth of information he does not possess till his first-born begins to ask questions."

THE WESTSIDE

VICTORIA'S GREATEST NEW DRY GOODS STORE. April 24th, 1901.

Stylish Wash Fabrics

Hundreds of pieces of dainty Wash Fabrics fill one large section of The Westside Store, resplendent with dainty schemes of varying hue: the Ginghams, the Lawns, the Piques, the Grenadines, the Dimmities, and hosts of others vying with each other for supremacy, all moderately priced.

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Surprises are many, but the pleasant surprise is the welcome one. The latter is the experience of those who buy their groceries from THE SAUNDERS GROCERY CO.—so great a quantity of first-class groceries for so little money.

HUNGARIAN FLOUR, sack $1.25
THREE STAR FLOUR (The Family Flour) $1.05
OOLICHANS (THIS SEASON'S), kit $1.75
PICKLED WALNUTS, pts. ..... .20
PURE RASPBERRY JAM, qts. ..... .35
GRAPE NUTS, 2 packages ..... .25
CALIFORNIA CREAMERY, NO. 1, lb. ..... .25
Always on hand, Wellington, Delta or Eden Bank Butter, and Lipton's or Armour's Hams and Bacon.

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Investigation Continued

Further Examination of Chief Deasy in Connection With Fire Department.

McDougall, the Assistant, Called to Prove His Ability as an Engineer.

The city council, as a committee of inquiry into the complaints of H. P. McDowell, of the fire department, sat again last night. During the greater part of the evening Chief Deasy was the witness. The enquiry continued to be very broad in its character, as at former sittings.

Chief Deasy, continuing his examination, said that he would give fires where the reels had gone to fires without men. This had occured at the tannery fire, Muirhead & Mann's fire last summer, and Redgrave's fire last year.

A letter written to the fire wardens was submitted, in which the chief recommended placing other than one alarm bell in the city. He did so to show that he had sympathy with the call men in not being able to attend the fires. He said that McDowell's statement that McDougall did not do his work satisfactorily at the Bessinger fire was not true. In connection with that Middlestate, an engineer, had told him that he had misunderstood the command which McDougall had carried from the chief to Middlestate.

McDougall was the senior permanent man. There were some call men older in the service than McDougall, but there were not five of them. Permanent men are allowed 10 days' leave of absence each, if he could grant it.

To Ald. Beckwith, he answered that he had sent for McDowell to ascertain what he would do in respect to being appointed assistant chief. At that time he was satisfied that McDowell would make a satisfactory assistant, and he would certainly have accepted him if the wardens had appointed him. He consulted McDowell in the matter as his assistant. He would not recommend a man who was not fitted for the position. There were stated distances at which call men might live from the fire hall. There had been a system of putting in alarm bells in the houses where men lived. The constant changes of residence made this a bother. There was an independent system put in by their members which gave an alarm at the drop in the fire hall. He approved of this system. With four bells in the city separate alarms are not necessary.

Ald. Yates asked why McDougall's name was first on the list of engineers last year and last the year before; had he in view the promotion of McDougall when he did so? The chief said he had not. Asked as to whether when he went down to the boat when going to San Francisco he intimated anything to McDougall which would induce McDougall to say that when the chief came back he would do something which would open their eyes? The chief said he did not. Lund had taught McDougall to run an engine. He worked it successfully at the custom house fire.

To Ald. Beckwith, the chief answered that his statement that McDowell did not understand an engine and that he recommended the best man for the position was explained by the fact that if McDowell had been appointed he would have been taught what he did not know. There might also be a more competent man for the position, but as call assistant he had recognized McDowell.

There was dissatisfaction with the call men owing to his recommending every year since 1894 a full paid fire department as being to the best interests of the city. The call men not unnaturally object, owing to the danger of their being replaced by permanent men. They had therefore given some trouble. He would throw nothing in the way of promotion.

When in the old hall he had kept one door locked. On one occasion four nails were driven in the feet of the horses. One of the horses was the one driven by himself. He never found out who did it. He locked the door to prevent a repetition of it. There was trouble with the call men at the time.

To Ald. Yates, he said that the driver took the reel to the fire upon the alarm being sounded. In cases the citizens turned to and helped.

He was possibly absent from fires in the city.

His Worship objected to Ald. Yates asking such questions, as it was prolonging the inquiry. Ald Yates thought it would do no harm, as showing that while the chief gave defects of the call system it would show that there were also defects in a permanent system.

Ald. Yates inquired very fully into the character of the chief's correspondence. Besides the correspondence directly connected with the office there was correspondence with chiefs in other cities. His correspondence might occupy half an hour or three-quarters of an hour a day.

Ald. Yates asked what the chief meant by the statement that some of the aldermen had not dealt fairly with the department. He made the statement that he did not consider that Ald. Yates had acted fairly towards him in this matter. He had never asked a question which would assist the chief. Ald. Yates had obtained information for asking the questions which he did from firemen who were opposed to the chief. Ald. Brydon and Ald. Yates, from what he had seen, had opposed him in his recommendations in the interests of the city. Foremen had come into the fire hall and stated that Ald. Williams was alone in supporting the chief, and that Ald. Yates was backing them in the matter. When he put in his resignation he believed that Ald. Brydon was unfair to him. He did not wish to give a reason for stating such.

To Ald. Beckwith, he said he addressed his resignation to the mayor and fire wardens. He was elected to the office of chief by the people. He had retained his position after the change in the manner of election. The mayor and fire wardens had dealt with other resignations in the fire department. He looked to them to deal with his resignation. He expected they would accept the resignation. His resignation was withdrawn unconditionally. The press account of it was not in that particular correct. The mayor said when considering it that they could not make it conditional, although he, the chief, endeavored to make it so.

The mayor corroborated the statements of the chief as the correct reason of it. Ald. Stewart and Kinsman also corroborated it.

Ald. Yates asked whether the newspapers put incorrect words into the mouth of the mayor, to which the mayor interrogated whether it was proposed to put him under examination also.

A system which was in practise as to supplying apparatus to different parts of the city was used but was not usually given out, as a precaution against incendiarism.

Ald. Kinsman said that when McDougall was appointed he did not know that there was any opposition to the appointment. He asked the chief whether he would not accept McDowell as assistant in place of McDougall, as the shortest cut to the settlement of the matter.

Ald. Yates asked whether the chief would answer.

Ald. Stewart brought up Ald. Yates's opposition to forcing McDowell to answer the question as to whether he would accept the position at $70 a month as a sufficient reason why the chief should not be required to answer this, a similar question.

The chief said that after what had passed in connection with the matter it was not fair to ask him such a question.

Ald. Beckwith said that in his opinion from the course matters had taken it would not be possible that such could be done.

To Ald. Brydon, the chief said that it was not the circumstances of this investigation alone which led him to consider certain members of the council not fair. There were reasons which he did not wish to state.

Ald. Brydon said that when 28 members of the department petitioned for this investigation there was, he thought, some reason for it.

McDowell asked the chief concerning the letters he had received. He asked for an explanation of such. A discussion ensued as to the particulars of certain fires in which McDowell called attention to the chief being late.

McDowell was sworn, and questioned by McDowell, said that at the custom house fire he worked the engine. When Mr. Lund came he was not working it, as the chief had ordered the engine stopped. He denied that he had made a statement that when the chief came back he would be given a position which would open some of their eyes. He did not know that McDowell would not accept the position.

In answer to Ald. Yates, he said he had been connected with the department 11 years. He was a hose man about one year, then a driver of the hose reel, then a driver of the engine. He had studied the engine under Mr. Lund at his suggestion and by permission of the chief. He had charge of the custom house fire. At that fire he had 55 pounds pressure on the hydrant, and brought it up to 75 pounds. It was seldom run higher than 100 pounds.

To Ald. Yates, he said that at the Baker fire Lund was hurt and the witness took charge of his engine. After two weeks time he handed the engine back to Lund in good condition. The Bessinger fire was the first occasion upon which he acted as assistant chief. At the fire, in obedience to the chief, he went and gave the order to "connect to the engine and give water immediately." Driving away he turned and saw that the order was not being obeyed, and went back and repeated the order, which was obeyed. Apparently the first time he was misunderstood. On days when he was not relief driver he helped the chief in the office at his request for three or four months before being appointed to the position. He had no authority except to give orders which might be given through him by the chief. He had always been good friends with the other men. The chief notified him of his appointment in writing. The chief had told him that McDowell would take the position at $80 a month, and that he was going to recommend him for the position. All correspondence and records of fires were kept by the chief alone. He never assisted the chief in that work. He knew by the reports of the chief that his ambition was to have a paid fire department. The chief always answered questions asked him.

It being 11 o'clock an adjournment was made until 8 o'clock Friday evening.

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Washington, April 23.—It is understood that a protocol has been signed between France and Venezuela, by which the diplomatic relations, long suspended between these countries, are to be resumed.

THE WRONG PILLS.

"Henry," she said, "did you get those shoe buttons for me to-day?"

"Yes," he replied.

"What did you do with them?"

He felt in his pocket, and presently fished out a little round box. Then a scared look overspread his countenance, and the lady wanted to know what was the matter.

"Did you take any of those complexion pills you asked me to bring home for you?" he asked.

"Yes, one," she answered. "Why?"

"That was a shoe button. Here are the pills."

As a flower giving greatest diversity in shades of color the carnation is perhaps unique, having flowers of a self or single color in pure white, lemon, yellow, buff, terra cotta, pink, rose, crimson, brilliant, scarlet, red, maroon, brown, bluish-purple, grey, and all intermediate shades.

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The red in the blood is the oxygen-carrier. Better to breath with half of one lung than not have enough red in the blood.

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MRS. R. KERR, Cote St. Paul, Que., writes: "I was suffering from a very painful backache and always felt tired. It seemed as if a weight was tied to my back and dragging me down. I tried many different remedies, but none of them seemed to help me. I procured two boxes of Doan's Pills, and after taking them I can safely recommend them to all sufferers from backache or kidney troubles, as they did me a world of good."

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Trains will run between Victoria and Sidney as follows:

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Leave Sidney at.....8:15 a.m., 5:15 p.m.

SATURDAY:
Leave Victoria at .....7:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m.
Leave Sidney at.....8:15 a.m., 5:15 p.m.

SUNDAY:
Leave Victoria at .....9:00 a.m., 2:00 p.m.
Leave Sidney at.....10:15 a.m., 5:15 p.m.

Steamer Iroquois

Connecting with the Victoria & Sidney Railway (weather permitting), will sail as follows:

Monday.—Leave Sidney at 8 a. m., calling at Fulford, Ganges, Plumper Pass, Fernwood, Gabriola and Nanaimo.

Tuesday.—Leave Nanaimo at 7 a. m., calling at Gabriola, Fernwood, Plumper Pass, Ganges, Fulford and Sidney.

Wednesday.—Leave Sidney at 8 a. m., calling at Fulford, Ganges, Galiano, Plumper Pass, Pender, Saturna and Sidney.

Thursday.—Leave Sidney at 8 a. m., calling at Plumper Pass, Burgoyne, Vesuvius, Gabriola and Nanaimo.

Friday.—Leave Nanaimo at 7 a. m., calling at Gabriola, Vesuvius, Burgoyne, Plumper Pass and Sidney.

Saturday.—Leave Sidney at 8 a. m., calling at Saturna, Pender, Plumper Pass, Ganges, Fulford and Sidney.

Close connection made with steamer by trains leaving Victoria at 7 a. m.

For passenger and freight rates apply on board, or to the agents of the Victoria & Sidney Railway.

T. W. PATERSON.

E. & N. RAILWAY

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IN EFFECT SATURDAY, MARCH 23RD, 1901.

NORTH BOUND

	Daily. A.M.	Sat. & Sun. P.M.
Leave Victoria	9:00	4:25
Leave Shawnigan Lake	10:15	5:42
Leave Alderlea (Duncans)	10:56	6:20
Leave Chemainus	11:27	6:50
Leave Ladysmith	11:47	7:10
	P.M.	P.M.
Leave Nanaimo	12:45	8:02
Arrive Wellington	1:00	8:17

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TIME CARD.
Effective Sunday, Nov. 25, 1900.

Leave.	Day Train.	Arrive.
8:00 a.m.	Spokane	6:40 p.m.
11:50 a.m.	Rossland	3:10 p.m.
7:00 a.m.	Nelson	7:15 p.m.
	Night Train.	
9:45 p.m.	Spokane	7:00 a.m.
10:00 p.m.	Rossland	7:00 a.m.

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From Across The Pacific

Empress of China Brings Advices of the New C. P. N. Steamer Hating.

C. P. R. Again Secures Contract For Carrying Mails For Imperial Government.

With the commencement of the summer service of the C. P. R. liners the tide of heavy traffic has set in from the Orient, and the Empress of China, which arrived yesterday, had a big list of passengers, both Chinese and Europeans. Of Asiatics she had 429, of whom 68 landed for Victoria. In the saloon company there were people from nearly all parts of the globe. Of the interesting personages, in addition to those mentioned in last evening's paper, there were Comte and Comtesse du Bourg, who after touring the world are returning to France; C. H. Hoxie, a Texas cattle owner who has also been on a pleasure jaunt; W. A. Wrigley, a homeward bound American soldier from the Philippines; G. Murray Bain, editor of the China Mail, and Lady Eva Dugdale, a sister of the Earl of Warwick. Mr. Wrigley says that the war in the Philippines is continually diminishing and that the danger from fever is also being minimized, there being now an excellent system adopted for the spread and prevention of sickness.

The complete list of passengers is as follows: H. Anger and wife, G. M. Bain and wife, Miss M. Bain, A. Ballin and valet, Mrs. A. Ballin, F. F. Bideleux, Mrs. M. Boeck, Major Boulanger, Comte du Bourg and valet, Comtesse du Bourg and maid, Capt. A. P. Browne, Rev. C. Hotham Browne, Capt. C. A. Callagan, Miss Campbell, Miss Carlson, H. H. Chipman, Mrs. C. Holliday, G. B. Hopkins and wife, M. Hori, G. H. Hoxie and courier, Mrs. G. H. Hoxie and maid, Capt. J. M. James, C. B. Jones-Mortimer, H. Kurulf, M. A. Lawrence, Dr. J. Maye, E. Mayer and wife, F. Mossop and valet, Mrs. F. Mossop, I. E. Nabt, Lieut. G. Newcombe, Capt. C. D. Palmer, U.S.A.; M. Perez, J. Conder, F.R.I.B.A.; Mrs. Constable, J Cowdry, E. M. Crosse, F. Dugdale, Lady Eva Dugdale and maid, T. R. Ebbetts and wife, W. J. Ebbetts, Miss E. Geigley, Miss E. Gordon, A. Hancock and wife, Miss Hancock, E. G. Hill, F. H. Hibblethwaite and wife, C. Holliday, F. F. Prondfit, Rev. N. C. Ram, K. Sakurai, I.J.N.; J. Schomberg, Staff Surgeon Schumann, I.G.N.; G. Shearer, Dr. Shepherd, A. Sowden and wife, A. H. Stiebitz, Capt. von Trotha, I.G.N.; G. C. Vanderkief, N. E. Vernon, Comdr. P. Walter, Mrs. P. Walter, W. A. Wrigley, W. D. Young, Staff Engr. Oscar Zirpel, I.G.N.

THE HATING COMING.

From Hongkong sources it is learned that the purchasing price paid for the steamer Hating, the Oriental vessel recently acquired by the C. P. N. Company for service on the Skagway route, was $270,000. The Hating, which is better known as the Cass, was expected to leave Hongkong soon after the Empress of China sailed. She has been in no way altered since her transfer. As stated in last evening's paper, the steamer is in command of Capt. A. O. Cooper, late second officer on the Empress of China, with T. L. Davidson as second officer.

MAIL CONTRACT RENEWED.

It is stated that the Imperial government has renewed its contract with the Canadian Pacific Railway Company for the carriage of mails to Hongkong via the Empress line. The old contract expires next month, and the new one holds good for five years. At a recent meeting of the Hongkong Chamber of Commerce the matter was taken up and a resolution was passed favoring the renewal of the contract, with an accelerated, and if possible, fortnightly service. No mention of the latter consideration, however, is mentioned in the contract referred to.

WILLAPA RETURNS.

Steamer Willapa returned from Naas river, bringing news of the first catch of spring salmon on the Skeena river. She brought among her passengers Jno. Cunningham and wife, Mrs. George Cunningham, widow of the late engineer of the steamer Chieftain; C. Miller and E. Wisnom, miners from Bella Coola, who brought down a sample of ore from the mine which they are there working, and Mr. Murphy, another miner from the Kitsilas canyon, Skeena river. News was brought of the opening of Cunningham's new hotel at Essington, under the able management of Horace Kirby and Mrs. Kirby. The hotel is one of the most commodious and palatial on the coast, its fittings being of a high order of elegance.

ANOTHER ROCK LOCATED.

Capt. C. H. Simpson, of His Majesty's survey ship Egeria, which has returned to Esquimalt, reports the existence of a rock with only twelve feet least water on it, lying midway between Macarthy Island and Whale Rock, Esquimalt harbor. The Egeria, it is understood, will leave on Friday next to make a survey of the northern coast, and will probably be away several months. In fact it is reported that she will not return until September.

HAS NOT YET ARRIVED.

There is still no word of the Gondor, which was erroneously reported to have arrived at William Head several days ago. It is now fourteen days since she left Acapulco, which should bring her close at hand. She is expected hourly and lookouts are stationed daily on Signal Hill, Esquimalt. As soon as she is reported a torpedo boat destroyer will probably go out to her, with instructions as to putting in at William Head.

MARINE NOTES.

Official notice is given by the department of marine and fisheries that the uncharted rock the steamer Boscowitz struck on the 14th inst. is situated in Portier's Pass, between Valdes and Galiano Islands. The department emphasizes the fact of the warning contained in the B. C. Pilot that Portier's Pass is not safely navigable.

Steamer Otter will make a special trip North, leaving here to-morrow and carrying consignments of powder as far up the coast as the Skeena river. So far no permission has been obtained by the C. P. N. Co. for carrying explosives on the regular West Coast steamer, and the Otter will carry it, because of having no passengers.

The Rosalie will go through to Tacoma next Saturday for a heavy cargo of freight. Returning, she will leave Seattle at 9.30 p.m. instead of at 8 a.m. for Victoria, and will arrive early on Sunday morning. This will give excursionists who leave here Friday evening all day Saturday at Seattle.

Steamer Danube sails for northern B. C. ports to-night. She will carry among her passengers J. B. Sewell, A. K. Munro, Miss J. Grady and Miss Florence Conway. Miss Grady, who was formerly matron of the Jubilee hospital, is going North to take a similar position at White Horse.

Steamer Walla Walla sails for California this evening, and will have among the passengers from this city Jas. D. Schofield and wife, Mrs. W. Phillips, Mrs. Wasson, Mrs. Agnes Hodges and Miss Babington.

Steamer Umatilla arrived in port from San Francisco this morning with 26 cabin and 7 second class passengers for this city. She landed a large freight at the outer wharf before proceeding to the Sound.

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TOLSTOI EXPELLED.

London, April 23.—A special dispatch from Vienna says the Czar has signed a decree expelling Count Tolstoi from Russia, and that the decree has been served.

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A terrible story of the fate of a party of six gold seekers in the Copper river country comes from Dawson, where the sole survivor of the little company arrived broken in body and mind.

According to this man's tale the treacherous Valdes glacier claimed one of the party for its own. He disappeared in a fissure in the ice, descending with lightening like rapidity. The crevice narrowed down to a point where at a distance of 75 feet, the man became wedged between a wall of ice so firmly that he found it impossible even to move. He remained conscious and realizing perfectly that he was lost, gave final instructions to his companions, who were powerless to assist him. In a short time he became numbed from the intense cold, and his voice became weaker. His comrades remained near until no further sound was heard, and after offering a solemn prayer, marked the grave and left the spot where the body will probably remain in its ice-bound tomb until the resurrection day.

The next misadventure was after crossing the high divide on the party's journey inland. A raft was built for floating down a swift running mountain stream to the land of promise. On this the party was tossed over a thundering rapid, and the little craft was smashed to smithereens against the jagged rocks. The five men made a desperate fight for life in the cold and swirling eddies of the mad waters. Three of them were never seen again. Two of them only reached shore; one severely injured internally and the other with a fractured arm. They were bereft of all provision, and being hundreds of miles from civilization, were in deplorable circumstances.

They had to subsist on scattered berries and some bitter roots. After days of untold suffering the spark of life in the man injured internally was mercifully extinguished. His lone partner for thirteen days wandered on without food. After that his life became a blank for a period of twelve months, and when his senses came to him again he found himself among a friendly tribe of Indians, with whom he remained for six months. He then continued his journey to Dawson, and soon after his arrival there received information that his mother had died from a broken heart over the supposed death of her son.

Sporting News

THE TURF.

THE CITY AND SUBURBAN.

Epsom, April 24.—The City and Suburban, to-day's big race at the Epsom spring meeting, attracted crowds reminiscent of Derby day. Lester Reiff, on the Ita, filly, won the Belchworth Stakes, and College Queen won the Ladworth Plate.

The City and Suburban Handicap was won by Mr. Spencer Collan's Australian Star. Amurath was second and Alvescot third. Fifteen horses ran.

THE RING.

DEATH OF PUGILIST.

London, April 24.—Billy Smith, the American pugilist, who was knocked out in the 8th round of a contest with Jack Roberts for the 126 pound championship of England, at the National Sporting Club on Monday night, and who had lain unconscious in an hospital since, died at 11:45 this morning.

An inquest over the body of Smith will be held in the course of a few days. Roberts, the opponent of Smith, the manager of the National Sporting Club, the referee and the seconds have surrendered to the police.

YACHTING.

SHAMROCK II IN DOCK.

(Associated Press.)

Glasgow, April 24.—The Shamrock II was towed to the Clyde Trust's graving dock No. 3, and her racing mast was successfully stepped this morning. Workmen are now engaged in removing the pontoons. The yacht will be floated out on the afternoon tide.

Special constables have been engaged to keep the crowd of persons curious to see the concealed part of the yacht's underbody outside the dock gates. Even with her telescoping topmast housed the mast looks a tremendous spar, quite dwarfing every other mast in the neighborhood.

THE WHEEL.

NOTICES TO BE POSTED.

Since the recent wheeling accidents at Four Mile hill, a great many letters have been sent to the press urging that steps be taken either to improve the road at that point or to post notices which would warn cyclists of the dangers attending the coasting of the grade at that point. Near the bottom are a number of boulders which, if a wheelman strike, he is sure to come to grief. It is gratifying to learn that steps are being taken by the officers of the Canadian Road Club to prevent further accidents, Chairman Dallain, of the B. C. district, having issued instructions some time ago to have notices posted at the top of the hill. The notice will read: "This hill is dangerous—Dismount," and riders who heed its warning will not take the risks which are at present involved in descending the hill.

BASKETBALL.

BOYS' BRIGADE AGAIN WINS.

The intermediate Boys' Brigade defeated the Fernwood team in a return match played last evening at the F. Y. M. A. rooms, Spring Ridge.

The first ten minutes' play was very even, but Belyea, with a free throw, scored the first point for the Brigade. Shortly after this Belyea obtained another free throw and again converted. W. McMillan scored a point from the field just before half time, thus evening the score to 2 all.

In the second half the Brigade had the best of the play, J. Lorimer scoring from the field with a splendid shot. When the whistle blew the Brigade were found to be the winners by a score of 6 to 4.

ANOTHER GAME.

On Tuesday next a game will be played in the F. M. Y. A. club rooms, Spring Ridge, between the Fernwood intermediates and the junior Bays.

THE RETURN GAME.

The Fernwood Association are making arrangements for the return match to be played against the Victoria West team at the drill hall on Saturday next.

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Per steamer Rosalie from the Sound—J Savannah, J Walt, J S Brown, L Marks, Mrs Marks, Master Marks, J C Davis, Jno Hackleman, D McLain, O S Nunn, Miss Sinclair, W W Herman, Miss Cole, Mrs Lingard-Green, D B Le Neven, Capt Beecher, C J Lutgen, Mrs Lutgen, L W Simon.

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Mrs. Adams has just received a full line, consisting of the latest materials for lace and silk work. Free lessons will be given in Corticelli Silk for one month.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Chu Chen Kwong, trading under the firm name and style of Tai Fung Chung Kee & Co., merchants, of No. 32 Fisguard street, Victoria, B. C., has by deed dated the 27th day of March, 1901, assigned all his real and personal property, except as therein mentioned, to Moi Chung, of 54 Herald street, Victoria, B. C., contractor, in trust for the purpose of paying and satisfying ratably or proportionably and without preference or priority the creditors of the said Chu Chen Kwong their just debts. The said deed was executed by the said Chu Chen Kwong (assignor) and said Moi Chung (trustee), on 27th day of March, 1901, and said trustee has undertaken the trusts created by said deeds.

All persons having claims against the said Chu Chen Kwong must forward and deliver to said trustee at No. 54 Herald street, Victoria, B. C., full particulars of their claims, duly verified, on or before the 1st day of May, 1901. All persons indebted to the said Chu Chen Kwong are required to pay the amounts due by them to said trustee forthwith. After the said 1st day of May, 1901, the trustee will proceed to distribute the assets of the said estate among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have had notice.

Dated at Victoria, B. C., the 28th day of March, 1901.

LANGLEY & MARTIN, Solicitors for Trustee.
59½ Government street, Victoria, B. C.

NOTICE.

All mineral rights are reserved by the Esquimalt & Nanaimo Railway Company within that tract of land bounded on the south by the south boundary of Comox District, on the East by the Straits of Georgia, on the north by the 50th parallel, and on the west by the boundary of the E. & N. Railway Land Grant.

LEONARD H. SOLLY, Land Commissioner.

Mortgagee's Sale

Under instructions of Alexander Urquhart, executor of Donald Urquhart, deceased, the mortgagee, and in pursuance of the power of sale contained in a certain indenture of mortgage bearing date the 7th day of April, 1892, and made between John Leonard, of Victoria City, B. C., of the one part, and Donald Urquhart, of Victoria City, aforesaid, of the other part, tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 12 o'clock noon on Friday, the 10th day of April, 1901, for the purchase of all that and those pieces or parcels of land situate in Victoria City, known as sub-sections numbers (23) twenty-three, (24) twenty-four, (29) twenty-nine, (30) thirty, being a sub-division of section (24) twenty-four, according to a plan of sub-division of sections 24, 25, 26, 27, Spring Ridge, deposited in the Land Registry Office, Victoria, B. C., numbered 360, and the dwelling house and buildings thereon. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Dated this 20th day of March, 1901.

S. PERRY MILLS, 51 Langley Street, Victoria, Solicitor for Alexander Urquhart, Executor of Donald Urquhart, deceased.

Mortgagee's Sale

Under instructions of Alexander Urquhart, executor of Donald Urquhart, deceased, the mortgagee, in pursuance of the power of sale contained in a certain indenture of mortgage bearing date the second day of December, 1890, and made between Thomas Stamper Milligan, late of Victoria, B. C., of the one part, and Donald Urquhart, of Victoria, B. C., of the other part, tenders will be received by the undersigned up to 12 o'clock noon on Friday, the 19th day of April, 1901, for the purchase of all that certain parcel or tract of land, being the western half (W½) of all that parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the City of Victoria, and marked and numbered lot number two (2) on the official map of Medina Grove, in the Land Registry Office at Victoria aforesaid, on the 27th day of September, A. D. 1890, being the sub-division map or plan of subsections 18, 19, 21 and 22, and the said Medina Grove, being now better known as Beckley Farm, and described as the western half (W½) of lot 2 thereof. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

S. PERRY MILLS, 51 Langley Street, Victoria, Solicitor for Alexander Urquhart, Executor of Donald Urquhart, deceased.

For Sale

All that lot of land known as lot 5, being a subdivision of the east half of Section 17, Beckley Farm, on Plan deposited in the Land Registry Office at Victoria and numbered 208, and situate on Croft street, Victoria City.

Dated 20th day of March, 1901.

S. PERRY MILLS, 51 Langley Street, Solicitor for the Executor of D. Urquhart, deceased.

CANCELLATION OF RESERVE.

CASSIAR DISTRICT.

Notice is hereby given that the reservation placed on Crown lands situated in the Bennett Lake and Atlin Lake Mining Divisions of Cassiar District, notice of which was published in the British Columbia Gazette and dated 13th December, 1898, is hereby cancelled.

W. C. WELLS, Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.
Lands and Works Department, Victoria, B. C., 30th January, 1901.

Caution

On and after this date every package containing the genuine "Bar Harbor" Ketchup as sent out and manufactured by us for the past fifteen years, will bear a caution label with red letters on a white ground and with our signature. Any ketchup offered without this label is an imitation.

H. J. BRADY & CO.

Victoria, B. C., March 30, 1901.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Parliament of Canada during the present session for an Act to incorporate an Association, with the objects of promoting the study of Financial and Actuarial Science, Accountancy and Commercial Education in general, and for that purpose to establish such educational agencies as may be found expedient, and to found bursaries, scholarships and fellowships in connection therewith; to establish different classes of membership and to settle the terms and conditions of same; to create and confer degrees upon, and to grant diplomas to, its members; to affiliate with any institution having the same or similar objects; to hold and dispose of real and personal property; to establish funds, benevolent or otherwise, for the benefit of members or their families, including the families of deceased members; to make by-laws for the proper management of the affairs of the Institute; and to do all other acts necessary to carry out the objects aforesaid.

CHRYSLER & BETHUNE, Solicitors for the Applicants.
Ottawa, 2nd April, 1901.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

IN PROBATE.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF LOUIS VIGELIUS, DECEASED.

Louis Vigelius, of 105 Government street, in the City of Victoria, British Columbia, barber, duly executed his will in or about the month of July, 1899, in the presence of his solicitor, Mr. H. B. W. Aikman, of the firm of Messrs. Drake, Jackson & Helmcken, and a clerk of the said firm. By his will the testator devised and bequeathed all his real and personal estate to his wife, Maria Vigelius, absolutely, and appointed her sole executrix. He died on the 17th day of December, 1900, at Los Angeles, California, U. S. A. The said will was delivered by his solicitor to the testator a few days after its execution to show, as he stated, his said wife, but the said will cannot now be found, and it is believed to have been lost or destroyed during his lifetime without his consent, or lost or destroyed after his death.

Whoever will bring the original will, or give such information as may lead to its discovery or how it has been lost or destroyed, to Messrs. Drake, Jackson & Helmcken, solicitors, of Bastion street, Victoria, or to the undersigned, will be rewarded.

Dated the 17th April, 1901.

S. PERRY MILLS, 51 Langley street, Victoria, one of the Solicitors for Maria Vigelius.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

BETWEEN ALBERT CHARLES WEST, PLAINTIFF, AND FREDERICK PROCTOR, DEFENDANT.

An action having been commenced as above to have an account taken of the partnership dealings between the plaintiff and defendant, to have their partnership agreement cancelled, the affairs of the partnership wound up, and for a receiver, all persons indebted to the firm of West & Proctor are hereby notified not to pay the amount of such indebtedness to either of the partners until further notice.

Dated 23rd April, 1901.

FELL & GREGORY, Solicitors for the Plaintiff.

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Thousands Homeless

Floods in Ohio, Kentucky and West Virginia, Drive People From Houses.

Many Are in a Destitute Condition—Several Railway Bridges Swept Away.

(Associated Press.)

Cincinnati, O., April 24.—Besides the heavy loss by flood in the manufacturing and wholesale districts, many laborers are idle and about 1,000 people have been rendered homeless. The loss in the timber and tie interests along the little Kanawha is estimated at a quarter of a million dollars.

At Charleston, W. Va., over 300 people were rendered homeless and the loss of timber in Elk, Poca, Cauley, and Coal River has been very great. The Kanawha and Michigan railroad has been unable to run between this city and Point Pleasant since Saturday. Three bridges were washed away and the roadbed washed out at many places. Two adjacent towns to Huntington, W. Va., are submerged, the water in many instances being in the second story. Over a thousand people are homeless in the district and many are destitute. In Harvey not a dozen inhabited houses are left. All the towns in this valley that are lighted by natural gas are in darkness and without fuel, as the natural gas main burst near Gallup, Ky. The damage in this section is estimated at over $600,000.

At Ripley, Ohio, boats are used on Second and Third streets. The city east of Main street is covered with water, but only about 15 families moved to the second stories, and the condition is improving.

At Marysville, Ky., about 30 families have moved to the second stories, and some have vacated. At Aberdeen the condition is much worse.

Situation at Cincinnati.

Cincinnati, O., April 24.—What is believed to be the crest of the flood sweeping down the Ohio river reached here today. The river rose an inch per hour all night, and a stage of 56 feet was reached before 6 a.m. This is six feet above the danger line for business sections, and eleven feet below the line where the water enters the tenements along the river front. The city is surrounded by back water on the east and west as well as along the south side, but it is estimated now that the stage of 58 feet will not be reached here, and that the highest point will come to-day and relief soon will follow.

The conditions on the Kentucky side have not changed. The relief that is in sight here clears everything for the 480 miles up to Pittsburg, and the river men say that the lower Ohio valley will not suffer so much, as the tributaries below here are not so high as those in the upper valley.

Pits Flooded.

Youngstown, Ohio, April 24.—The Mahoning river this morning is within two feet of the great flood of 1878, the highest ever reached in the Mahoning valley, and is steadily rising. Steady rains are reported at the head waters and along the upper part of the valley. The suburb of Hazelton is inundated. Several mills have been compelled to suspend operations by reason of the pits being flooded.

Still Rising.

Louisville, Ky., April 24.—At 10.30 a. m. to-day the river here was rising a fraction over two inches an hour, with 26.8 feet in the canal. The danger line is 28 feet at the upper canal gauge, and the local weather bureau forecaster believes this will be passed about noon tomorrow. Water has reached the business houses at the foot of Fourth, Fifth, Sixth and Seventh streets, and is several feet deep in many cellars.

CARGO ON FIRE.

(Associated Press.)

Queenstown, April 24.—The British steamer Ontario, Capt. Brenton, from Hull, April 18th, for Boston, is putting back with her cargo on fire. A tug has gone to her assistance. It is expected that she will anchor at noon.

Later.—The Ontario has been docked. The fire seems to be confined to her after hold.

NEW BISHOPS.

(Associated Press.)

Rome, April 24.—The propaganda has decided to propose to the Pope that he appoint the Very Rev. John O'Connor, vicar-general and at present administrator for the diocese, Bishop of Newark. Father O'Connell, of the American College in Rome, has been selected as the Bishop of Maine.

E. W. Grove

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The Cook Charges

A. P. Marsh, Counsel For H. H. Cook, Addresses the Senate Committee.

Report of Royal Commission on Immigration Expected Before End of Session.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, April 24.—A. P. Parish, counsel for H. H. Cook, occupied all this forenoon addressing the senate committee on the Cook charges. Before he commenced Sir Mackenzie Bowell read a letter from M. G. Cameron, withdrawing the word "blackguard" he used against Dr. Wilson, his brother-in-law, yesterday. He said he used it in a moment of irritation.

Mr. Marsh traversed all over the case, most of the time quoting from the evidence. In conclusion, Mr. Marsh said that while the evidence was clear against Preston and Cameron, he was willing to admit that the evidence as far as Sir Richard Cartwright was concerned was not all one way. As regard Sir Wilfrid Laurier—and these were the only two members of the government mentioned—it would not do if a case was made out against Sir Richard to let the Premier go free. Sir Richard was the accredited agent of the Premier, and therefore the latter was as deep in the mud as the other was in the mire.

Mr. Blake will speak at 8 p.m.

A Scene.

W. T. R. Preston met Mr. Marsh, Cook's counsel, at the Russell house today after the committee meeting, calling him a "mean, low, cowardly liar." A crowd gathered, but no blows were struck.

Charleston and Contractors.

At the public accounts committee today G. P. Brophy, of the public works department, was examined, and said that Contractor Heney had financially assisted W. G. Charleston, son of J. B. Charleston, to go into the hardware business. The amount of the purchase of the business was, he understood, about $13,000. There were two cheques, one for $10,000 and one for $5,000, given by Heney. Mr. Brophy said he merely handed over the cheques to Solicitor Murphy, and had nothing to do with the purchase.

In the House.

The Premier, replying to A. Morrison in the House, stated that it was expected the report of the commission investigating Oriental immigration in British Columbia would be received before the end of the session, and as soon as received it would be printed and distributed.

The Minister of Agriculture, replying to Mr. Morrison, stated there was no authentic report of the existence of bubonic plague in Australia, but captains of vessels arriving had made reports. Warnings had been sent to quarantine officers in this connection. All vessels arriving, whether healthy vessels or not, had to go through disinfection, and various articles, such as yarns, bulbs, etc., had also to undergo inspection unless accompanied by a proper certificate from the port of departure. The equipment of a bacteriological station and the appointment of a bacteriological officer had been carried out and repeated warnings issued to quarantine officers to keep the matter of the plague in mind.

Col. Prior called attention to the loss of a vessel on the east coast of Vancouver Island, and to a report that it had been bought and was being salvaged by Americans. He asked if these Americans had the right to do this work and whether it should not be done by Canadians.

The Premier stated that a complaint in this regard had been received and forwarded to the department of justice for enquiry as to the law in the case.

Mr. Northrup then proceeded with the Nipissing election case.

Hon. C. Fitzpatrick replied to Mr. Northrup, pointing out that the election case was tried by the courts, that evidence had to be reported to the Speaker and was before the House, and consequently no possible service could be had by referring the case to the privileges and elections committee.

WERE REPORTED DEAD.

Two United States Soldiers Surprise Their Friends.

Racine, Wis., April 24.—Joseph Kelley, a Racine soldier who was reported killed in a battle in the Philippines, astonished his relatives yesterday by walking in on them. Not until he reached San Francisco did he learn that his friends mourned him as dead.

Funeral Was Held.

Redding, Cal., April 24.—Harry O. Stone returned to Redding to-day from the Philippines, where he served with the Fourth Cavalry. He was reported killed in the battle of Malolos. What had been supposed to be his body had been received here, and an elaborate funeral held. Later the body was claimed by a Mrs. Stone, of Worcester, Mass., as that of her son Hermon H. Stone, of the 22nd Infantry, and shipped there.

THE LATEST COMBINE.

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, April 24.—After a conference lasting several days the plow manufacturers of the United States practically have completed the formation of a $50,000,000 combination. It has for one of its purposes the elimination of the long credits, which have been given country merchants.

BRESCI REPORTED MAD.

(Associated Press.)

Paris, April 24.—A dispatch to the Rappell from Rome says that Bresci, the assassin of King Humbert, has become mad in consequence of the ill-treatment of his jailors.

—We will take up your old carpets, beat and relay them at reasonable prices. Weller Bros.

Died in the Blizzard

Nome Paper Tells of Several Deaths at the Beginning of January.

Party of Sixteen Men and One Woman Endure Terrible Sufferings.

(Associated Press.)

Seattle, April 24.—Partial confirmation of the rumors of death in Alaska by freezing has been received. The Nome Digger of January 30th says:

"Dr. Pelton, one of the best known and most esteemed young pioneers of Alaska, was frozen on the trail on the night of January 1st near Solomon. He came from Oakland, Cal., and was 33 years of age. Dan Anderson left Dexter for Nome about four weeks ago, and has not yet been heard of. It is feared that he has perished in the New Year's blizzard.

"W. F. Baum perished while carrying medical assistance to a sick miner. Dr. Baum left for Nome on June 21st last. He was a native of Mobile, Ala., and saw service in the Cuban war.

"This afternoon United States Marshal McLean brought into town the remains of a man from Solomon. Later it was identified as that of Alexander Snow.

"A story was told at the Chamber of Commerce meeting on Monday night of 16 men and a woman huddled together in a maimed and mutilated condition from frost bite in a cabin on Pilgrim's river, unable to lie down because of the crush and with starvation facing them. Generous individuals and companies donated money and food. An appeal to the military was resolved upon, and within two hours an emergency supply of food was flying over the trail by moonlight, drawn by swift dogs. The next day a number of the victims arrived in town and told their story. Some of them were badly frost bitten and had endured severe hardships.

"Dr. Baum was frozen to death on Saturday, January 19th. Two unknown men were found dead near Mary's Igloo."

TROOPS FOR SAMAR.

Reinforcements to Be Sent to Deal With Filipinos Who Refuse to Surrender.

(Associated Press.)

Taclobin, Island of Leyte, April 23.—The session of the Philippines commission at Cat Balogan, Samar Island, today developed the fact that the inhabitants of Samar are still terrorized by the forces of Gen. Lukban, the rebel leader, which consists of 600 rifles and many Bolomen.

The only delegates present at the session were representatives from several garrisoned towns on the east coast, and they feared to give information to the Americans. The commissioners assured them that the increased American forces would cope with the rebels and that a vigorous campaign would be instituted in Samar. The only American troops now in Samar are seven companies of the First infantry.

Previous to the arrival of the commission yesterday a party of insurgents fired down from the hills back of Cat Balogan. Some bamboo guns were captured to-day.

The commissioners sailed to-night for the southern Luzon provinces.

Surrenders.

Manila, April 24.—One hundred and fifteen officers and 2,157 Bolomen have surrendered and sworn allegiance to the United States at Narvasacan, province of South Ilocos.

The commissary investigation is progressing. Several important witnesses in the Reed case have left Manila. Messr. Barry Baldwin, Thomas Harris, Fred Macondry and H. S. Chandler, prominent merchants, supposed to possess information concerning money paid to commissary officers, are destined as witnesses under $2,500 bail. Other arrests will be made. The trial of Captain James Creed, formerly depot commissary at Manila, has been temporarily postponed.

CANADIAN NOTES.

(Associated Press.)

Brantford, Ont., April 24.—Four cases of smallpox have broken out among the Six Nation Indians.

Amherst, N. S., April 24.—Chief of Police Brownell has been dismissed for allowing Timothy O'Hearn to have his liberty after arresting him on a warrant for violating the Scott Act.

Sydney, C. B., April 24.—The schooner Verhena, from Louisburg for Newfoundland, with a cargo of coal, struck on a reef on Monday night and sank. The crew were saved.

CARPENTER SHOT.

(Associated Press.)

Parksville, W.V., April 24.—Sidney Cole to-day shot and killed Wm. T. Terry, a carpenter on the steamer Keystone State. Cole's house on the river bank had seven feet of water in it. The Keystone State was about to land near by. It is supposed Cole feared the swell would float his house away. He warned the officers not to land, but they persisted, and he fired three shots, one passing through Perry's heart. Cole was arrested.

SIXTY OUTLAWS KILLED.

(Associated Press.)

London, April 24.—News has reached here of a severe battle in the vicinity of Fort Darwin, Maskonaland, between a force of Charter Land police and natives from Chintsi, under the outlaw Mapondara. Sixty of the outlaws were killed.

KIDNEY SEARCH LIGHTS.—Have you backache? Do you feel drowsy? Do your limbs feel heavy? Have you pains in the loins? Have you dizziness? Have you a tired dragging feeling in the regions of the kidneys? Any and all of these indicate kidney troubles. South American Kidney Cure is a liquid kidney specific and works wonderful cures in most complicated cases. Sold by Dean & Hiscocks and Hall & Co.—94.

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WANTED—Instructor to teach boy architectural drawing. Address J. T. M., Times Office.

WANTED—A girl, to help in house work and cooking, for a small family. Apply by letter Z., Times Office.

LOST, STRAYED OR STOLEN—Irish setter, answering to the name of "Roxey." Anyone found harboring same after this notice will be prosecuted. Finder kindly return to W. Adams, at Porter's Butcher Shop, Government street.

TO-NIGHT in Semple's Hall, Victoria West, I. O. G. T. concert; musical programme, tableaux, etc. Tickets, 25 cts.

LEPERS IN PHILIPPINES.

They Will All Be Placed On One Island.

(Associated Press.)

Manila, April 24.—Major Noble, adjutant-general of the department of the Visayas, has received the surrender of Quentin, Salas and three of his officers. All the insurgents under Salas will surrender soon. It is claimed this will terminate the insurrection in the Island of Panay.

It is estimated there are 25,000 lepers in the Philippines, and it is planned to isolate all the lepers on one island. Major Mans, the medical inspector; Capt. Ahern, of the 9th Infantry, and Capt. Quartermaster Morton, compose the board of officers appointed to select a suitable island. They have visited Dusanga, Culion, Cogayan, Dejolo and other islands, and have made a report, but it has not yet been acted upon.

MAGNETIC HEALING.

President and Secretary of Institute Use Mails to Defraud.

(Associated Press.)

Kansas City, Mo., April 24.—In the Federal court here Stephen A. Weltmer and Jos. H. Kelly, president and secretary of an institute of magnetic healing at Nevada, Mo., pleaded guilty to indictments charging them with using the mails to defraud. Sentence was reserved.

The institution advertised to heal "all diseases known to man or woman," giving "absent treatment," and did such a tremendous mail order business that the Nevada post office was raised from a fourth to a first-class order. A fraud order issued by the post office department debarring them from mails was followed by grand jury indictments.

TRAIN WRECKED.

(Associated Press.)

San Antonio, Texas, April 24.—A southbound International Great Northern passenger train was wrecked to-day at Davenport, 16 miles north of here, by running into an open switch, misplaced, it is supposed, by train robbers. Fireman F. W. Hicks was killed and Engineer Monahan was fatally hurt.

STUMPED.

"That absent-minded looking man is a wonder. He can tell you the exact distance to all the planets, their relative positions in space and all about 'em."

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